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May 18, 1954

Department Of Justice
F.B.I.
9th & Penna. Ave.
Washington, D.c.

Re: William A. Branigan
2317 N. Kentucky St.
Arlington 5, Va.
Special Agent

Gentlemen:

The person named above has applied to us for credit. We are informed that the applicant is in your employ. It will be of considerable assistance to us in making our decision, as well as an accommodation to your employee, if you would be kind enough to furnish us with the answers to the questions below.

We shall appreciate your courtesy in replying, and assure you that the information furnished will be treated as strictly confidential. A prepaid envelope is enclosed for your convenience.

Very truly yours,

W. E. Jordan

W. E. JORDAN

WEJ:dj

Position _____ Is it considered permanent? _____

Length of service _____ Approx. monthly income $ _____ Wage ☐ Salary ☐ Commission ☐

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May 12, 1954

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Branigan:

Thank you very much for your note of May 10, 1954, extending congratulations on my Thirtieth Anniversary as Director of the FBI.

It was thoughtful of you to write me on this occasion, and I deeply appreciate your kind comments and best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

NOTE: SA William A. Branigan, EOD 7-14-41, GS 15, assigned as Chief of Espionage Unit of the Domestic Intelligence Division, SOG.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : ~~DIRECTOR, FBI~~ A. H. BELMONT

DATE: June 7, 1954

FROM : ~~SAC~~ S. B. DONAHOE

SUBJECT: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN (Employee)
PERSONNEL STATUS CHANGE

DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE (Division)

ADDRESS AND PHONE CHANGE:

Present phone: _____ (City)

Present address: _____

MARITAL STATUS:

Married to _____

On _____ at _____

Remarks:

BIRTHS:

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Girl named _____ Boy named [redacted]

Born on [redacted] at Georgetown Hospital

To employee and Mrs. Lois Branigan

This is their 4th child.

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Remarks: It is recommended that a letter of congratulations be sent to Mr. and Mrs. Branigan. Flowers will be sent to Mrs. Branigan from the Espionage Section.

SBD:GAS

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May 29, 1953

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Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

DECLASSIFIED BY 60267 NLSteplcd
ON 11-13-01

Dear Mr. Branigan:

The Bureau is in receipt of the report of the physical examination afforded you at the United States Naval Hospital, Bethesda, Maryland, on March 31, 1953.

This report reflects that you have no disqualifying physical defects.

The electrocardiogram and a 14 x 17 chest X ray afforded you were found to be normal.

The Board of Examining Physicians of the United States Naval Hospital reports that you are capable of strenuous physical exertion and have no physical defects that would interfere with your participation in raids or other work involving the practical use of firearms.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

CC-Mr. Belmont
WBH:mfc

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Checked by:
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May 25, 1954

Mr. W. E. Jordan
Credit Department
Esso Standard Oil Company
St. Paul Place and Franklin Street
Baltimore 3, Maryland

Dear Mr. Jordan:

Receipt is acknowledged of your inquiry dated May 18, 1954, regarding Mr. William A. Branigan, who has applied for credit.

In reply, please be advised Mr. Branigan entered on duty in the Federal Bureau of Investigation on July 14, 1941, as a Special Agent and he is presently receiving salary at the rate of $10,800 per annum. His position in this Bureau is of a permanent nature depending upon the continued satisfactory performance of his duties.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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February 17, 1955

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Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

DECLASSIFIED BY 60261 NLS/EP/cd
ON 11-13-01

Dear Mr. Branigan:

The wholly inadequate manner in which the Espionage Section of the Domestic Intelligence Division recently handled the receipt of certain highly confidential information pertaining to the national security has come to the attention of the Bureau. It has been observed that during January, 1955, an informant furnished this information and after the receipt of this data at the Bureau it was not promptly disseminated to the appropriate interested Government agencies. The Bureau realizes there was some question regarding the reliability of the informant in this instance; however, in view of the ramifications inherent in this information it should have been expeditiously disseminated with a qualification as to the reliability of the source of it.

As Chief of the Espionage Section it is your responsibility to insure that your subordinates carry out their functions efficiently and with due consideration for the best interests of the Bureau. It is evident that the Espionage Section did not properly discharge its responsibilities in this instance and you will be expected to insure that there is no repetition of such a dereliction on the part of personnel under your supervision.

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Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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CHAPTER R1, FEDERAL PERSONNEL MANUAL

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

FORM APPROVED
BUDGET BUREAU NO. 50-R064

Prepared by: tls
Checked by:
Filed by:

NOTIFICATION OF PERSONNEL ACTION

1. NAME (MR. - MISS - MRS. - FIRST - MIDDLE INITIAL - LAST)	2. DATE OF BIRTH	3. JOURNAL OR ACTION No.	4. DATE
MR. WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN 07804	3-23-16	F.B.I. 19862	1-14-55

This is to notify you of the following action affecting your employment:

5. NATURE OF ACTION (USE STANDARD TERMINOLOGY)	6. EFFECTIVE DATE	7. CIVIL SERVICE OR OTHER LEGAL AUTHORITY
REASSIGNMENT	1-16-55	EXCEPTED BY LAW

FROM		TO
Special Agent GS 15 $10,800 per annum	8. POSITION TITLE	Supervisory Special Agent
	9. SERVICE, SERIES, SALARY, GRADE	Same Same
	10. ORGANIZATIONAL DESIGNATIONS	Division XXX Five Domestic Intelligence D. C.
	11. HEADQUARTERS	
[F] FIELD [ ] DEPARTMENTAL	12. FIELD OR DEPT'L	[ ] FIELD [D] DEPARTMENTAL

13. VETERAN'S PREFERENCE						14. POSITION CLASSIFICATION ACTION				
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APPROVED

J. Edgar Hoover

DIRECTOR, F. B. I.

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REMARKS:
The provisions of the Universal Military Training and Service Act of 1951 have been complied with.
The classification grade of this position is subject to post-audit and correction pursuant to Section 1310 of the Supplemental Appropriation Act, 1952 – Public Law #253, approved 11-1-51.

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1. PERSONNEL FILE

MR. BELMONT

January 3, 1955

DIRECTOR, FBI

POSITION CLASSIFICATION MATTERS
ESTABLISHING POSITIONS IN
DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

This is to advise you of the approval on December 28, 1954, of the establishment of the following positions:

Supervisory Special Agent GS 15 (GS 1811-15-5h-D-234). Incumbent serves as Chief of the Internal Security Section, Domestic Intelligence Division. This position is limited to one incumbent.

Supervisory Special Agent GS 15 (GS 1811-15-5h-D-237). Incumbent serves as Chief, Espionage Section, Domestic Intelligence Division. This position is limited to one incumbent.

Supervisory Special Agent GS 15 (GS 1811-15-5h-D-238). Incumbent serves as Chief of the Liaison Section, Domestic Intelligence Division. This position is limited to one incumbent.

The necessary action is being taken to assign F. J. Baumgardner, to the position Supervisory Special Agent GS 15 (GS 1811-15-5h-D-234); to assign W. A. Branigan to the position Supervisory Special Agent GS 15 (GS 1811-15-5h-D-237); and to assign E. E. Roach to the position Supervisory Special Agent GS 15 (GS 1811-15-5h-D-238).

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CC: [redacted] (sent direct)
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YELLOW DUPLICATE
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Name: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN Title: SPECIAL AGENT (SECTION CHIEF)

EOD: 7/14/41 Grade: GS-15 at $10,800.

Non-Veteran

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR BELMONT: Mr. Branigan is responsible for the handling of all espionage and foreign intelligence investigations and for the administrative functioning of the Espionage Section. He has a thorough knowledge of espionage matters because of his background and experience in this field. He has been alert to develop new programs and to recommend new policy where desirable. He commands the respect of the personnel under his supervision. He exercises uniformly good judgment and is a good administrator.

Rating: Satisfactory

INSPECTOR VAN PELT: Appears to be quite a sincere, conscientious, and hard-working individual, intensely interested in his duties, and having an above average knowledge of espionage operations. Seems to have definite administrative capacity for directing said section, enthusiasm for this work, and progressiveness in his thinking. Appears better suited to his present specialized responsibilities than to the more diversified duties of an official in the field. Advised he is available and has no personal problems.

RECOMMENDATION: None . . . strictly informative.

DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION INSPECTION
April 29, 1954
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: 6/17/54

FROM : R. T. Harbo

W. A. BRANIGAN

SUBJECT: HANDLING OF LETTER FROM [redacted] TO THE BUREAU DATED 6/4/54

Lester E. Short

Records Section

67-196052-131

SYNOPSIS:

Pursuant to the request of Mr. J. E. Edwards in Mr. Tolson's Office, a check was made concerning the delay in the handling of a letter dated 6/4/54 (Friday) from [redacted] located in New York, to the Bureau. In this letter [redacted] states that he has recently learned that a person who identified himself as a member of the FBI made some inquiries concerning [redacted] desired to be advised if an investigation was being made and expressed a willingness to furnish any information needed.

The following tabulation provides a chronological sequence of the handling of this letter in the Bureau

DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY
6/7/54 (Monday)	4:30 p.m.	[redacted] letter received in Routing Unit of Records Section, it was determined that Bureau has a personnel file on [redacted] therefore, the Router, [redacted] wrote the word "Personnel" [redacted] side of the letter, put on the date 6/7/54 and sent the letter to [redacted] to be sent to Personnel Records.
		Exact time letter received Personnel Records Section not known. [redacted] of that Section recalls seeing the letter subsequent to 6/7 when [redacted] another employee of this Section, asked her what disposition should be made of the letter. After looking it over, [redacted] decided that the letter should be sent to the Chief Clerk's Office so she erased "Personnel" which had been placed on the [redacted] side of the letter and wrote "CCO." [redacted] states she does not recall having [redacted] the letter. [redacted] believes it was in [redacted] possession less than one day

Attachment - WOHB

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DATE	TIME	ACTIVITY
6/10/54	10:26 a.m.	Letter received at the Mail Rack in the Administrative Division.
6/10/54	11:01 a.m.	Letter received Mr. Mohr's Office and sent by routing slip to Mr. Belmont's Office for handling.
6/10/54	1:50 p.m.	Letter received in Mr. Belmont's Office and sent to Espionage Section.
6/10/54	5:19 p.m.	Letter stamped in Espionage Section.
6/11/54 (Friday)		Main files on subject requested during the morning by Supervisor [redacted], #1 Man in the Espionage Section; they were received that morning and at 2:50 p.m. Supervisor [redacted] gave the letter to Supervisor [redacted] to handle. [redacted] requested a search slip and all files [redacted] immediately thereafter; they were received in a short period of time and at 4:15 p.m. he dictated an air-tel to New York advising that office to promptly contact [redacted] Air-tel was returned to him shortly before 5:20 p.m. and it was dated 6/14/54 (Monday). Supervisor [redacted] took the air-tel at 5:20 p.m. to Supervisor [redacted] who is Chief of the Nationality Unit in the Espionage Section for approval.
6/14/54 (Monday)		[redacted] made minor change in the air-tel, approved, and sent it to Mr. Belmont's Office. The Air-tel was sent to New York on 6/14/54.

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CONCLUSION:

Delay in handling this piece of mail appears to have been caused by Personnel Records. It cannot be definitely established when the letter was received in Personnel Records or when it was sent from Personnel Records. Time stamps on the letter indicate it was received sometime after 4:30 p.m. on 6/7 and sent out prior to 10:26 a.m. on 6/10. The practice of the Personnel Records of erasing routing which has been placed on the reverse side of the letter is bad. A more desirable practice would be to merely draw a line through the routing if it was erroneous. It is also believed that

when additional routing is made by Personnel Records on the reverse side of letters the date of such routing should be noted. Supervisor L. E. Short of Personnel Records agrees with this conclusion and he has issued instructions that erasures should not be made and date should be placed under any additional routing. While the Espionage Section handled this letter in less than the maximum time allotted for the handling of routine correspondence, they should have recognized that this letter has been in the Bureau since 6/7/54 and handle it in such a manner that the airtel would have been transmitted to New York on 6/11/54. It is the opinion of W. A. Branigan, Chief of the Espionage Section, that this letter was promptly handled by his Section within the framework of correspondence of this character, and he pointed out that in order to have the air-tel transmitted on 6/11, it would be necessary to receive the files, dictate the air-tel and have it ready for transmittal in the morning of 6/11/54. The letter was received in the Espionage Section 5:19 p.m. on 6/10/54.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. [redacted] be censured because the letter was not properly handled in her Section. She had no explanation for the delay.

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2. It is recommended that [redacted] of the Personnel Records Unit be informed by [redacted] that this letter should have been sent back to Routing rather than to the Chief Clerk's Office and this improper routing on her part is being considered as an error, and is being scored against her as an error.

3. It is recommended that Supervisor Lester E. Short, Supervisor in Charge of Personnel Records Section, be censured because of the delay in handling this letter in Personnel Records. He had no explanation for the delay.

4. It is recommended that a letter of censure be directed to Supervisor W. A. Branigan, Chief of the Espionage Section because the answer by this letter was not prepared with greater dispatch in his Section. (See addendum)

Permanent briefs are attached.

No details - all matters covered in synopsis.

ADDENDUM: 6/22/54

This letter was handled within twenty-four hours of its receipt in the Espionage Section. The files were called, reviewed, and an airtel was dictated. It was too late on Friday to send the item through as regular mail. It did not call for urgent action; therefore, it was not forced through as a special. I do not think a letter of censure to Branigan under the circumstances is warranted.

AHB:tlc

June 9, 1954

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Branigan:

May I take this opportunity to extend to Mrs. Branigan and you my congratulations on the arrival of your son, [redacted]

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I know that your little boy has brightened your lives, and may I wish for him much happiness and good health.

Sincerely,

J. Edgar Hoover

CC: Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)

CC: Mr. Leinbaugh

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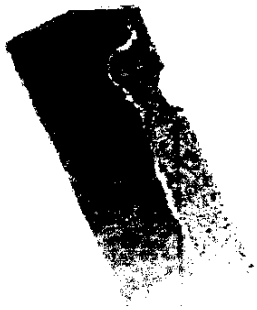
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ON 11-13-01

March 29, 19[redacted]

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Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Domestic Intelligence
D.J.

Dear Mr. Branigan:

The exemplary attitude exhibited by the clerical personnel of the Espionage Section during the past two months in handling the heavy volume of special work has been most gratifying to note.

I am aware that on numerous occasions these employees voluntarily and with complete disregard for their own personal convenience worked many long hours beyond the normal tour of duty in order that these special projects might receive prompt attention. It is my desire that you express to these employees my sincere appreciation and personal commendation for the loyal devotion to duty they have manifested in this instance.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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cc: Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)

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Based on memo from Mr. Belmont to Mr. Boardman dated 3/11/55, captioned PERSONNEL MATTERS - ESPIONAGE SECTION.

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Mr. Nichols
Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Harbo
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tamm
Miss Gandy

Mr. Edwards, H.L.
Mr. Holloman
Mr. Jackson
Mr. Jones, M.A.
Mr. Leonard
Mr. McGuire
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Mr. Sizoo

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___Per Conversation
___For Your Information

In line with efforts to cut down on paper work is it necessary to file copy of yellow in each employee's file. (See recommendation of your memorandum) Your memo which completely covers situation will go in each file with notation re outgoing letter of appreciation.

F. W. WAIKART

Mr. Tolson 3-7-55

R. T. Harbo

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SYNOPSIS

BACKGROUND: Milwaukee letter 2-3-55 to Bureau and New York transmitted corrected copies of Page 1 of report of SA [redacted] Milwaukee, 1-12-55. Said report originally failed to reflect whether [redacted] who was interviewed by Milwaukee, was questioned concerning [redacted] per lead set forth in report of SA [redacted] New York, 12-21-54. This was called to Milwaukee's attention per Bureau letter 1-21-55 prepared by Supervisor J. F. Wacks, Espionage Section, Domestic Intelligence Division. Said letter instructed, "Advise if such interrogation took place and, if so, the results."

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The corrected page transmitted per Milwaukee letter 2-3-55 does not indicate any recontact of [redacted] was required, and it added to the information originally reported, "The names [redacted] are not familiar to [redacted] and mean nothing to him." Referenced letter was received in Espionage Section 2-7-55, was initialed by Supervisor Wacks, and was received in Consolidation Unit of Records Section 2-8-55 so that the corrected page could be substituted for the original. One copy of the original report had been disseminated to the Records Administration Branch of Department of Justice 1-19-55 and the corrected page was forwarded there by routing slip 2-8-55.

Attachments
cc - Mr. Nichols
Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mohr
SOG Personnel Files:
SA [redacted]
SA Clark E. Lovrien
SAC J. B. Foster
SA J. F. Wacks

cc - SOG Personnel Files:
Section Chief William A. Branigan
Inspector C. E. Henrich
Assistant Director A. H. Belmont
SOG Files - Milwaukee Division
Domestic Intelligence Division

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GOVERNING INSTRUCTIONS: SAC Letter 54-23, 5/4/54, provides "In the future all errors to be corrected in reports after they have been forwarded to the Bureau must be submitted by cover letter containing an explanation for the error, together with two copies of any corrections to be made on reports previously disseminated." Section 4A 1 j, Manual of Rules and Regulations, provides, "Amended pages of reports are to be submitted to the Bureau by cover letter. The cover letter must contain an explanation for the error, recommendations for any administrative action, if necessary, together with two copies of the amended pages of reports."

EXPLANATIONS REQUESTED: Bureau letter 2/23/55 to Milwaukee, copy to Mr. Belmont, prepared in connection with a survey conducted by Inspector H. C. Van Pelt covering such errors, called attention to foregoing instructions and requested field and SOG explanations.

EXPLANATIONS RECEIVED: SA [redacted] explained (1) he completely covered the New York lead but failed to fully dictate the results; (2) he did not detect the incomplete reporting because he was not available to review same before its transmittal to the Bureau, and (3) he prepared the Milwaukee letter transmitting the amended pages to the Bureau, not understanding that above SAC Letter referred to errors of this type. b6

Supervisor Clark E. Lovrien, Milwaukee, explained (1) he overlooked the fact that SA [redacted] report omitted information called for in the lead set out by New York, and (2) he approved the Milwaukee letter transmitting the amended pages to the Bureau because he did not understand that above SAC Letter referred to errors of this type.

SAC J. B. Poster, Milwaukee, advised he made it clear to both SA [redacted] and Supervisor Lovrien that the correction made in SA [redacted] report falls within the purview of above SAC Letter, and that he impressed upon them the necessity for completeness and accuracy in the submission of reports. SAC Poster recommended no administrative action be taken.

SOG Supervisor Wacks advised (1) the purpose of his letter to Milwaukee 1-21-55 was to ascertain whether the New York lead was fully covered, and (2) upon receipt of the amended page he did not feel the matter waranted administrative action since the matter had been called to Milwaukee's attention, and he did not feel further correspondence to secure explanations was necessary.

Chief W. A. Branigan, Espionage Section, Domestic Intelligence Division, stated the field should have followed governing instructions. He recommended no administrative action against Supervisor Wacks, and Mr. Belmont concurred.

RECOMMENDATIONS

(1) SA [redacted] Milwaukee...Recommendation being submitted separately covering this and another similar matter. b6

(2) SA Clark E. Lovrien, Milwaukee...censure...for failure to detect and correct error in SA [redacted] report and for failure to see to it that governing instructions were followed in the submission of the amended page.

(3) SAC J. B. Poster, Milwaukee...Recommendation being submitted separately covering this and another similar matter.

(4) SA J. F. Wacks, Espionage Section...censure...for failure to request explanations from Milwaukee

(5) Chief W. A. Branigan, Espionage Section...Recommendation being submitted separately covering this and other similar matters.

(6) Inspector C. E. Henrich, Domestic Intelligence Division...Recommendation being submitted separately covering this and other similar matters.

(7) Assistant Director A. H. Belmont, Domestic Intelligence Division...no action...in view of his being recommended separately for censure for this and other similar matters.

PERMANENT BRIEFS OF SAs [redacted], LOVRIEN, AND WACKS, ~~AND SAC POSTER~~ ARE ATTACHED. b6

DETAILS

Not reported herein in view of being fully covered in synopsis and in the investigative file.

3/7/55

Mr. Tolson

Mr. Harbo

[redacted]

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W. A. BRANIGAN

SYNOPSIS

BACKGROUND: Milwaukee letter 2/11/55, to Bureau, Chicago, New York and Washington Field Office transmitted corrected copies of page 1 of report of SA [redacted] Milwaukee 1/20/55. Said report originally set forth the title as above and stated in the first paragraph of the details "the 1954 Milwaukee City Directory reflects one [redacted] resides at [redacted] and is employed by [redacted] Bureau letter to Milwaukee 1/31/55, prepared by Supervisor [redacted] Espionage Section, Domestic Intelligence Division, called attention to foregoing reference to [redacted] and instructed that said name be included in the title of the next report. No request for explanation was contained in said Bureau letter. Milwaukee's referenced letter 2/11/55, advised said name should have been reported as [redacted] and transmitted amended page. No explanation for the error was submitted. Latter communication was received in Espionage Section 2/15/55, was initialed by Supervisor Tully and was routed to Consolidation Unit of Records Section so that the amended page could be substituted. The original report had not been disseminated.

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Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mohr

cc - SOG Personnel Files:
SA [redacted]
SA [redacted]
SAC J. B. Foster
SA E. P. Tully
Section Chief W. A. Branigan
Inspector C. E. Hennrich
Assistant Director A. H. Belmont
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copies of any corrections to be made on reports previously disseminated." Section 4A 1 j, Manual of Rules and Regulations, provides, "Amended pages of reports are to be submitted to the Bureau by cover letter. The cover letter must contain an explanation for the error, recommendations for any administrative action, if necessary, together with two copies of the amended pages of reports."

EXPLANATIONS REQUESTED: Bureau letter 2/23/55, to Milwaukee, copy to Mr. Belmont, prepared in connection with a survey conducted by Inspector H. C. Van Pelt covering such errors, called attention to foregoing instructions and requested field and SOG explanations.

EXPLANATIONS RECEIVED: SA [redacted] advised (1) he submitted his report by rough draft in which he inadvertently substituted the name [redacted] for [redacted] in referring to [redacted] (2) he was not available to proofread the finished report; and (3) he submitted the corrected page to the Bureau by Milwaukee letter 2/11/55, which he approved while functioning as Relief Supervisor, without including explanation for the error because it was his impression that the instructions contained in above SAC Letter did not apply to such matters.

Relief Supervisor [redacted] Milwaukee advised he approved above report of SA [redacted] but failed to detect the erroneous reference to [redacted] as [redacted] SAC J. B. Poster advised he impressed the seriousness of foregoing errors upon both SAs [redacted] and [redacted] that they sincerely regretted same and displayed excellent attitudes. SAC Poster recommended no administrative action be taken.

SOG Supervisor Tully advised he felt that due to no dissemination of the report being involved, the error was relatively minor and warranted no additional correspondence. He said he recognized Milwaukee had not submitted recommendations regarding administrative action, but that Milwaukee was fully cognizant of the error. b6

Chief W. A. Branigan, Espionage Section advised that explanation should have been submitted by Milwaukee but recommended no administrative action against Supervisor Tully be taken. Mr. Belmont concurred.

CONCLUSION:

Although the investigation does not appear to be jeopardized, the errors have caused additional expense and unnecessary correspondence.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. SA [redacted] Milwaukee . . . recommendation being submitted separately covering this and another similar matter.

[redacted]

3. SAC J. B. Foster, Milwaukee . . . recommendation being submitted separately covering his over-all responsibility in this and another similar matter.

4. SA Edwin R. Tully, Espionage Section . . . censure . . . for failure to request explanations from Milwaukee.

5. Chief W. A. Branigan, Espionage Section . . . recommendation being submitted separately covering this and other similar matters. b6

(6) Inspector C. E. Hennrich, Domestic Intelligence Division . . . recommendation being submitted separately covering this and other similar matters.

(7) Assistant Director A. H. Belmont, Domestic Intelligence Division . . . no action . . . in view of his being previously recommended for censure for this and other similar matters.

Permanent briefs of SAs [redacted] and Tully ~~and SAC Foster~~ are attached hereto.

DETAILS

Not repeated herein in view of being fully covered in synopsis and in the investigative file.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: 3/3/55

FROM : R. T. Harbo

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Boardman
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Belmont
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Mohr
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Tele. Room
Holloman
Gandy

SUBJECT: [redacted] was.
INTERNAL SECURITY - YU
Bufile [redacted]

SYNOPSIS

BACKGROUND: Newark letter 2/4/55 to Bureau and New York transmitted amended pages of report of SA [redacted] Newark, 1/11/55. When said report was originally submitted, it failed to reflect that subject was questioned about (1) whether her traveling to Yugoslavia in 1950 was to attend the Third Congress of the Anti-Fascist Women's Front; (2) two elective positions she reportedly held in the newspaper [redacted] and (3) whether her acquaintances among Yugoslav diplomatic personnel have ever sought information from her of a security, intelligence, political or propaganda nature. This was called to Newark's attention by Bureau letter 1/21/55, prepared by Supervisor [redacted] Espionage Section, Domestic Intelligence Division. Said letter instructed additional interview be conducted and that results be submitted in a new report. Correction of a sentence, obviously garbled, was also instructed. No request for explanations from personnel responsible, nor recommendations of SAC covering administrative action was made.

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Referenced Newark letter to Bureau transmitting amended pages of above report was prepared by SA [redacted] and was approved by Relief Supervisor [redacted] It contained no explanations nor recommendations covering administrative action. Said letter was received in Espionage Section 2/9/55, was initialed by Supervisor [redacted] and was received in Consolidation Unit of Records Section 2/17/55 so that substitution of amended pages could be made in original report. Dissemination to Immigration and Naturalization Service and to Records Administration Branch of Department of Justice has not yet been made. Bureau letter 2/14/55

NEWARK

Attachments
cc - Mr. Nichols
Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mohr
SOG Personnel Files:
SA [redacted]
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SA
SAC H. G. Foster

cc - SOG Personnel Files:
SA [redacted]
Section Chief William A. Branigan
Inspector C. E. Hennrich
Assistant Director A. H. Belmont
SOG Files - Newark Division
Domestic Intelligence Division

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to Newark, prepared by Supervisor [redacted] instructed that corrections be made in amended pages submitted, covering certain garbled sentences concerning Croatian Fraternal Union. This letter likewise failed to request explanations from personnel responsible and recommendations of SAC covering administrative action.

GOVERNING INSTRUCTIONS: SAC Letter 54-23, 5/4/54, provides "In the future all errors to be corrected in reports after they have been forwarded to the Bureau must be submitted by cover letter containing an explanation for the error, together with two copies of any corrections to be made on reports previously disseminated." Section 4A 1 j, Manual of Rules and Regulations, provides, "Amended pages of reports are to be submitted to the Bureau by cover letter. The cover letter must contain an explanation for the error, recommendations for any administrative action, if necessary, together with two copies of the amended pages of reports."

EXPLANATIONS REQUESTED: Bureau letter 2/23/55 to Newark, copy to Mr. Belmont, prepared in connection with a survey conducted by Inspector H. C. Van Pelt covering such errors, called attention to foregoing instructions and requested field and SOG explanations. b6

EXPLANATIONS RECEIVED: SA [redacted] explained that inasmuch as the amended pages covered additional investigation requested by the Bureau, rather than corrections of errors in his original report, he did not feel that above rules governing submission of amended pages applied in this instance. It is not felt said explanation is acceptable. It also appears that his reporting of instant investigation has been seriously deficient, and has resulted in undue expense and unnecessary correspondence.

Relief Supervisor [redacted] who approved SA [redacted] report of 1/11/55, advised that he felt said report adequately covered the investigation conducted. It is not felt said explanation is acceptable, because of the failure to set forth whether subject was questioned about the three pertinent topics referred to in the first paragraph of this communication, and because of the garbled sentence contained in said report.

Relief Supervisor [redacted] who approved referenced Newark letter transmitting the amended pages to the Bureau, concurred with SA [redacted] As indicated above, it is not felt such explanation is

acceptable. It appears that had Relief Supervisor [redacted] carefully reviewed this matter, he would have observed serious deficiencies in SA [redacted] performance and should have insisted upon Agent [redacted] explanation being submitted to Bureau together with recommendation covering administrative action.

SAC H. G. Foster concurred with SA [redacted] and Relief Supervisors [redacted] and [redacted] and recommended no administrative action be taken against them. As pointed out above, it is not felt this is acceptable. Also, as Special Agent in Charge of the Newark Division it is Mr. Foster's responsibility to insure that investigations and reports are thorough, complete and clear.

SOG Supervisor [redacted] explained he noted the weaknesses in SA [redacted] initial report of 1/11/55 and initiated corrective action per Bureau letter to Newark 1/21/55. He advised he considered these instructions as amounting to guidance by Bureau rather than concerning correction of errors requiring administrative action. He stated that he accordingly did not feel that above regulations governing submission of amended pages applied. It is not felt said explanation is acceptable. It also appears that Supervisor [redacted] having recognized serious weaknesses in the attention provided this case at Newark, should have included requests for explanations from personnel responsible and recommendations covering administrative action, in Bureau letters 1/21/55 and 2/14/55. b6

Chief W. A. Branigan, Espionage Section, Domestic Intelligence Division, stated the field should have followed governing instructions. He recommended no administrative action against Supervisor [redacted] pointing out that [redacted] was constructively supervising case as evidenced by detailed instructions [redacted] provided Newark. While this constitutes some mitigation, it appears Supervisor [redacted] was not sufficiently vigorous in his supervision and should have fixed responsibility for the serious deficiencies found.

Mr. Belmont felt [redacted] was properly supervising the case and recommended no administrative action.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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(4) SAC H. G. Foster, Newark....censure....for weaknesses in functioning of Newark Office.

[redacted]

(6) Chief W. A. Branigan, Espionage Section....Recommendation being submitted separately covering this and other similar matters.

(7) Inspector C. E. Hennrich, Domestic Intelligence Division....Recommendation being submitted separately covering this and other similar matters.

(8) Assistant Director A. H. Belmont, Domestic Intelligence Division....No action....In view of his being previously censured for this and other similar matters.

PERMANENT BRIEFS OF SAs [redacted] AND SAC FOSTER, ARE ATTACHED HERETO. b6

DETAILS

Not reported herein in view of being fully covered in synopsis and in the investigative file.

April 8, 1955

PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

DECLASSIFIED BY 60267 NLS/EP/cd
ON 11-13-01

Dear Mr. Branigan:

It has recently been noted that Special Agent supervisors in the Espionage Section have not been complying with existing Bureau instructions relative to the handling of errors detected in investigative reports and it is apparent that you as Chief of this section have not properly discharged your responsibilities in this regard. It has been observed that in four different cases, investigative reports received from the field contained serious errors and employees under your supervision failed to request explanations and recommendations regarding personnel responsible for these errors although existing Bureau instructions require that this be done.

Such inefficiency is most serious and is of grave concern to the Bureau. As Chief of the Espionage Section, it is your responsibility to insure the efficient operation of that section. Accordingly, you will be expected to take proper measures to see to it that there is no repetition of such delinquencies on the part of personnel under your supervision.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
Director

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cc: Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)

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Note: Based on memo from R. T. Harbo to Mr. Tolson dated 3-25-55, HVP:mpm:jla.

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Mr. Tolson

R. T. Harbo

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INTERNAL SECURITY - R
Bufile 105-29217

SYNOPSIS

BACKGROUND: Philadelphia letter 1/10/55 to Bureau and Washington Field Office transmitted amended copies of pages 3, 11 and 20 of report of SA Mahlon J. Price, Philadelphia, 12/31/54. These corrections involved following changes in phraseology:

Page 3 - From - [redacted] stated that both she and her husband definitely prefer to reside in the United States rather than in Russia."

To - [redacted] stated that she definitely preferred to reside in the United States rather than in Russia."

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Page 11 - From - "She further stated that she could read her mother's script."

To - "She further stated that she could not read her mother's script."

Page 20 - From - "....records of Confidential Informant T-1...."

To - "....records of the Immigration and Naturalization Service at Philadelphia...."

Said letter contained no explanation covering foregoing errors. The letter was initialed by Supervisor [redacted] Espionage Section, Domestic Intelligence Division, and routed to Consolidation Unit of Records Section so that amended pages could be substituted in instant report.

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Attachments
cc - Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mohr
SOG Personnel Files:
Steno. [redacted]
SA Mahlon J. Price
SA Norris S. Harzenstein
SA Albert Rundbaken
SAC N. H. McCabe

SOG Personnel Files:
SA J. J. Meehan
SA S. B. Donahoe
SA [redacted]
Sect. Chief W. A. Branigan
Inspector C. E. Hennrich
Asst. Dir. A. H. Belmont
SA G. H. Scatterday

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Bureau letter 1/19/55 to Philadelphia and Washington Field Office, prepared by Supervisor [redacted] transmitted amended copies of 5 pages of above report of SA Price. These corrected pages deleted certain nonpertinent personal recriminatory statements from the report so that it could be disseminated. Said deleted material related principally to personal escapades of subject's wife (her purported illicit love affairs, miscarriages, abortions, etc.). No explanation was requested of Philadelphia regarding such reporting. Revised copies of the report, containing both of the above-mentioned sets of corrections, were disseminated 1/17/55 to State Department, Immigration and Naturalization Service and Records Administration Branch of Department of Justice.

GOVERNING INSTRUCTIONS: SAC Letter 54-23, 5/4/54, provides "In the future all errors to be corrected in reports after they have been forwarded to the Bureau must be submitted by cover letter containing an explanation for the error, together with two copies of any corrections to be made on reports previously disseminated." Section 4A 1 j, Manual of Rules and Regulations, provides, "Amended pages of reports are to be submitted to the Bureau by cover letter. The cover letter must contain an explanation for the error, recommendations for any administrative action, if necessary, together with two copies of the amended pages of reports."

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EXPLANATIONS REQUESTED: Bureau letter 2/23/55 to Philadelphia, copy to Mr. Belmont, prepared in connection with a survey conducted by Inspector H. C. Van Pelt covering such errors, called attention to foregoing instructions and requested field and SOG explanations.

OTHER WEAKNESSES NOTED: Above Bureau letter 1/19/55, prepared by Supervisor [redacted] also instructed Philadelphia to submit a separate report containing all pertinent information relating to [redacted] subject's wife. Such action was requested in view of SA Price's above-mentioned report of 12/31/54 showing that [redacted] admitted furnishing false information to United States officials in Hamburg, Germany, for immigration to the United States, which, if true, is in violation of Section 1001, Title 18, United States Code (Fraud Against Government). Philadelphia was instructed to prepare the report on [redacted] under the dual character of Internal Security - R and Fraud Against Government. No request was made therein for Philadelphia to explain its failure to have

initially followed this procedure, as set forth in Section 87C, 3b, Manual of Instructions, which states that one of the primary purposes of security investigations is "The determination of the identities, whereabouts and activities of individuals who have or may be violating laws of the United States...." Said Bureau letter 1/19/55 prepared by Supervisor [redacted] was approved by Supervisor in Charge J. J. Meehan, Section #1 Man S. B. Donahoe, by Supervisor/In Charge D. E. Todd for Assistant Director Belmont, by Mr. Scatterday for Assistant Director Boardman and by Assistant Director Mohr.

FIELD EXPLANATIONS: Philadelphia air-tel 3/17/55 advised (1) SA Price is a Resident Agent and was not at Philadelphia headquarters to proofread his 12/31/54 report; (2) SA Price feels errors in pages 3 and 11 to be typographical; stenographic notes destroyed; Stenographer [redacted] states it is unlikely that he would have transcribed several words not actually dictated; (3) said report was reviewed and approved by Supervisor N. S. Harzenstein who changed "Confidential Informant T-1" to "Immigration and Naturalization Service at Philadelphia" on page 5, feeling it undesirable to conceal I&NS as a source. Supervisor Harzenstein failed to similarly change page 20; (4) upon receiving copy of said report, SA Price noticed the errors in pages 3, 11 and 20. He prepared rough draft amended pages and rough drafted Philadelphia's letter of transmittal 1/10/55. He forwarded same to Philadelphia by routing slip indicating that corrections were necessary because of typographical errors and inconsistency of the designation of I&NS; and (5) Philadelphia letter 1/10/55 was approved by Relief Supervisor Albert Rundbaken who felt no explanations nor recommendation covering administrative action were necessary.

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Said Philadelphia air-tel pointed out that (1) Section 87C, Manual of Instructions, was expanded 1/14/55 through addition of paragraph 3c covering "Fraud Against Government Violations Detected During Security Investigations," after SAC Letter 54-74, issued 12/28/54 and received Philadelphia 12/30/54, reiterated and amplified prior instructions of paragraph 3b that the field be alert for information indicating violations of Federal statutes during the course of security investigations; (2) SA Price was not cognizant of provisions of said SAC Letter or new Section of Manual covering Fraud Against Government violations detected during security investigations at time of submission of instant report; (3) the false information furnished by [redacted] to United States officials in Hamburg, Germany, occurred in 1950, and may not be cognizable in the United States and may be barred by Statute of Limitations; and (4) both SA Price and Supervisor Harzenstein

felt such data related more to possible basis for denial of citizenship and deportation than Fraud Against Government.

Above-mentioned Philadelphia air-tel also advised that (1) SA Price included in his report of 12/31/54 the information received concerning [redacted] illicit love affairs, miscarriages, abortions, etc., since it pertained to moral turpitude of an applicant for American citizenship; and (2) Supervisor Harzenstein did not delete same, feeling it would be of value to I&NS.

SAC N. H. McCabe, Philadelphia, recommended (1) no administrative action concerning Stenographer [redacted] (2) censure for SAs Price and Rundbaken for failure to follow existing Bureau instructions governing submission of amended pages; and (3) no action was recommended against Supervisor Harzenstein by SAC McCabe because the SAC felt the Supervisor's failure to change the T-1 designation for I&NS was not sufficiently serious.

EXPLANATIONS OF ESPIONAGE SECTION: Supervisor [redacted] explained he did not request explanations b6
from Philadelphia and recommendations covering administrative action (1) upon receipt of the three amended pages transmitted per Philadelphia letter 1/10/55, because said errors were detected and corrected by Philadelphia and were not considered substantive to the investigative issues, (2) upon his detection of the nonpertinent recriminatory data furnished by subject against the latter's wife, and furnishing five corrected pages to Philadelphia per Bureau letter 1/19/55, because he considered this to be a matter of judgment as to what should be included in the report, and (3) for failure to open a separate case and submit a separate report covering possible fraud upon the part of subject's wife, feeling that the instructions contained in Bureau letter 1/19/55 to Philadelphia to open a separate case and submit a separate report covering the activities of subject's wife constituted supervisory guidance to assure more effective administration.

Supervisor in Charge Meehan and Section #1 Man Donahoe advised (1) they had thoroughly discussed instant case with Supervisor [redacted] before Bureau letter to Philadelphia 1/19/55 was prepared, and (2) they felt the deletion of the nonpertinent recriminatory data and the instruction to open a separate file on subject's wife were matters of judgment rather than error upon the part of Philadelphia, and that they consequently did not instruct that explanations be obtained.

Supervisor in Charge Todd explained (1) he was temporarily working in Mr. Belmont's office 1/19/55 and approved Bureau letter of that date to Philadelphia for Mr. Belmont; (2) he observed that five amended pages were transmitted to Philadelphia deleting nonpertinent recriminatory statements and instructing that a separate case be opened on subject's wife; and (3) the report had not been disseminated prior to the corrections and he felt the Bureau's letter was more in the nature of supervisory guidance.

EXPLANATION OF MR. SCATTERDAY: He stated that (1) he had no knowledge of Philadelphia's letter 1/10/55 transmitting amended pages to the Bureau; (2) he approved Bureau letter 1/19/55 to Philadelphia feeling that the deletion of personal recriminatory data involved a matter of opinion and did not constitute error by Philadelphia; (3) he considered the instruction to Philadelphia to open a separate case on subject's wife constituted supervisory guidance and did not require explanation from Philadelphia; and (4) he routed the Bureau letter 1/19/55 to Assistant Director Mohr for approval solely because said letter also granted authority to Philadelphia to utilize the services of a Ukrainian-speaking Agent of the Washington Field Office to assist in conducting interviews in the Philadelphia territory.

CONCLUSION: (1) That SA Prices report 12/31/54 was inaccurate and improperly included data not pertinent to instant investigation, which should have been set forth in a separate report on subject's wife; (2) responsibility for the inaccuracies cannot be definitely resolved in view of the destruction of the stenographic notes and the conflicts in the explanations of Stenographer [redacted] and Agent Price; (3) SA Price was derelict through including in instant report material which was not pertinent to said investigation and should have called Bureau's attention to same separately; (4) Supervisor Harzenstein was at fault for not changing T-1 to I&NS on page 20 as he did on page 5, for failure to delete the material not pertinent to instant investigation and for not calling Bureau's attention to same separately; (5) SA Price failed to follow existing Bureau instructions in the preparation of his rough draft of Philadelphia letter 1/10/55 transmitting amended pages to the Bureau; (6) Relief Supervisor Rundbaken was negligent for not seeing to it that said Philadelphia letter to Bureau 1/10/55 contained required explanations; (7) SOG Supervisor [redacted] should have instructed Philadelphia in Bureau letter 1/19/55 to submit

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explanations and recommendations covering administrative action for the inaccuracies in SA Price's report, Philadelphia's failure to follow existing Bureau instructions governing the submission of amended pages, the improper inclusion in Agent Price's report of material not pertinent to said investigation and Philadelphia's failure to bring same to the Bureau's attention separately; (8) Supervisor in Charge Meehan, Section #1 Man Donahoe, Supervisor in Charge Todd and Mr. Scatterday should have seen to it that appropriate explanations and recommendations were requested of Philadelphia; and (9) Assistant Director Mohr's review of said Bureau letter to Philadelphia was solely for the purpose of concurring in the authorization granted Philadelphia to use the services of a Ukrainian-speaking Agent from the Washington Field Office for interviews in the Philadelphia territory; it does not appear that Mr. Mohr should be considered responsible for the above-indicated weaknesses in the reporting by Philadelphia.

RECOMMENDATIONS

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(1) Stenographer [redacted] Philadelphia.... No action....In view of impossibility of clearly fixing reporting inaccuracies as due to erroneous transcription.

(2) SA M. J. Price, Philadelphia....censure....for (a) including in his report of 12/31/54 material not pertinent to instant investigation; (b) not calling same to Bureau's attention by separate communication; and (c) failure to follow existing Bureau instructions governing the submission of amended pages in the preparation of his rough draft of Philadelphia letter 1/10/55.

(3) Supervisor N. S. Harzenstein....censure.....for (a) failure to be consistent in the changing of "Confidential Informant T-1" to "Immigration and Naturalization Service at Philadelphia," having made such change on page 5 of SA Price's report but not on page 20; (b) failure to delete from said report

material not pertinent to instant investigation; and (c) not calling Bureau's attention to same separately.

(4) Relief Supervisor Albert Rundbaken, Philadelphia ....censure....for failure to see to it that existing Bureau instructions governing submission of amended pages were followed when he approved Philadelphia letter 1/10/55 to Bureau.

(5) SAC N. H. McCabe, Philadelphia....censure....for ineffective operation of personnel under his over-all supervision.

(6) [redacted]

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(7) Supervisor in Charge J. J. Meehan, European Unit, Espionage Section....censure....for his approval of above-mentioned Bureau letter 1/19/55 to Philadelphia without seeing to it that said explanations and recommendations covering administrative action were requested.

(8) Section #1 Man S. B. Donahoe, Espionage Section.... censure....for his approval of above-mentioned Bureau letter 1/19/55 to Philadelphia without seeing to it that said explanations and recommendations covering administrative action were requested.

(9) Chief W. A. Branigan, Espionage Section.... Recommendation being submitted separately covering this and other related matters.

(10) Inspector C. E. Hennrich, Domestic Intelligence Division....Recommendation being submitted separately covering this and other related matters.

(11) Assistant Director A. H. Belmont, Domestic Intelligence Division....No action....In view of his being previously censured for this and other similar matters.

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(13) SA G. H. Scatterday, Assistant to Mr. Boardman.... censure....for approving above-mentioned Bureau letter to Philadelphia 1/19/55 for Mr. Boardman without seeing to it that explanations and recommendations covering administrative action were requested.

PERMANENT BRIEFS OF STENOGRAPHER [redacted], SA PRICE, SUPERVISOR HARZENSTEIN, RELIEF SUPERVISOR RUNDBAKEN AND SAC MC CABE, ALL PHILADELPHIA, AND SOG SUPERVISORS IN CHARGE MEEHAN [redacted] SECTION #1 MAN DONAHOE AND MR. SCATTERDAY ARE ATTACHED HERETO. PERMANENT BRIEF OF SOG SUPERVISOR [redacted] WAS FORWARDED DIRECTOR SEPARATELY CONCERNING ANOTHER PERSONNEL ACTION MATTER. b6

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: 3/25/55

FROM : R. T. Harbo

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Chief of Espionage Section
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CARL E. HENNRICH
Inspector
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BACKGROUND: Separate memoranda of R. T. Harbo to Mr. Tolson have been submitted covering weaknesses upon the part of the field and the SOG for not following existing Bureau instructions governing the transmittal of amended pages of reports. Four of these cases involved personnel of the Espionage Section of the Domestic Intelligence Division. This section is headed by Mr. Branigan, and is one of the branches of the Domestic Intelligence Division under the over-all control of Inspector Hennrich. Copies of each of the latter memoranda were designated for the personnel files of Messrs. Branigan and Hennrich. Each of said memoranda stated that recommendations would be submitted separately concerning their responsibility in these matters. The purpose of this memorandum is to submit said recommendations.

WEAKNESSES FOUND IN OPERATIONS OF THE ESPIONAGE SECTION:

[redacted] was.; Internal Security - YU; Bufile 105-27144...Failure to request explanation from personnel responsible and recommendations covering administrative action concerning incomplete interview of subject at Newark.

[redacted] Internal Security - R; Bufile 100-225506...Failure to request explanations and recommendations from Milwaukee for incorrect reference to subject as [redacted] in report of SA [redacted] 1/20/55.

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cc - Mr. Boardman
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[redacted] wa.; Internal Security - R; Bufile 100-382326...Failure to request explanations and recommendations from Milwaukee for omission from report of SA [redacted] 1/12/55, as to whether [redacted] was questioned as requested per lead in report of SA [redacted] New York, 12/21/54.

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[redacted] aka; Internal Security - R; Bufile 105-29217...Failure to request explanations and recommendations from Philadelphia for (1) inaccuracies in report of SA Mahlon J. Price 12/31/54; (2) Philadelphia's noncompliance with the Bureau instructions governing submission of amended pages when transmitting same 1/10/55; (3) the improper inclusion in SA Price's report of material not pertinent to said investigation; and (4) Philadelphia's failure to bring same to Bureau's attention separately.

Weaknesses in each of the 4 cases hereinbefore listed resulted in undue expense and unnecessary correspondence.

EXPLANATION OF SECTION CHIEF BRANIGAN: He advised, "It is pointed out that in each of the instances listed the Supervisors in this Section detected the errors and instructed corrective steps to make the reports more accurate or more complete. It is regretted that explanations were not obtained and administrative action considered. I have vigorously reiterated to all Supervisors in the Espionage Section the absolute necessity for requesting explanations and fixing responsibility for errors, and the Espionage Section is now aggressively following this procedure."

EXPLANATION OF INSPECTOR HENNRICH: He advised, "Explanations should have been obtained and responsibility fixed when the errors were noted. The Espionage Section is now following this procedure meticulously."

CONCLUSION: Although none of the four cases listed came to the personal attention of Messrs. Branigan or Hennrich, it is felt that because of Mr. Branigan's position as Chief of the Espionage Section, and in view of said section being one of the two sections of the Domestic Intelligence Division under the over-all supervision of Inspector Hennrich, these officials share in the responsibility

for the inadequate functioning of personnel of that section.

RECOMMENDATIONS

(1) Chief W. A. Branigan, Espionage Section.... censure....for the ineffective functioning of personnel under his direct supervision.

(2) Inspector C. E. Hennrich, Domestic Intelligence Division....censure....for the ineffective functioning of personnel of the Espionage Section, which is one of two sections of the Domestic Intelligence Division under his over-all supervision.

(3) No recommendations necessary regarding other personnel involved....Such action having been taken separately.

PERMANENT BRIEFS OF SECTION CHIEF BRANIGAN AND INSPECTOR HENNRICH ARE ATTACHED.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

Name of Employee: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

Where Assigned: DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE (Division) ESPIONAGE SECTION (Section, Unit)

Payroll Title: SUPERVISORY SPECIAL AGENT (Section Chief) GS-15 $10,800

Rating Period: from APRIL 1, 1954 to MARCH 31, 1955

ADJECTIVE RATING: SATISFACTORY
Outstanding, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

Employee's Initials: WAB

Rated by:	Signature	Inspector (Title)	3/31/55 (Date)
Reviewed by:	Signature	Assistant Director (Title)	3/31/55 (Date)
Rating approved by:	Signature	Assistant Director (Title)	MAY 4 1955 (Date)

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NARRATIVE COMMENTS

Note: The regulations require that OUTSTANDING ratings be supported by a statement in writing setting forth IN DETAIL the performance IN EVERY ASPECT and the REASONS for considering each worthy of SPECIAL COMMENDATION.
UNSATISFACTORY ratings must be supported by a statement in writing stating (1) WHEREIN the performance is unsatisfactory, (2) the facts of the (90 day) PRIOR WARNING, and (3) the efforts made AFTER THE WARNING TO HELP the employee bring his performance up to a satisfactory level.

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PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD - 185)

Name of Employee WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN Title Supervisory Special Agent (Section Chief)

Rating Period: from 4/1/54 to 3/31/55

RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST

Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared. Rate items as follows:

+ Outstanding (exceeding excellent and deserving special commendation).
✓ Satisfactory (ranging from good to excellent but not sufficient to rate outstanding).
− Unsatisfactory.
O No opportunity to appraise performance during rating period.

Guide for determining adjective rating:

An 'Outstanding' rating cannot be justified unless all elements rated are 'plus', and in addition, of course, supporting comments must comply with the requirements as set out below.

So far as 'Satisfactory' and 'Unsatisfactory' ratings are concerned, it is impossible to provide a mechanical formula for computing the various 'plus', 'check', and 'minus' marks because such would presume equal weight for all elements rated. Good judgment must be exercised to insure that the adjective rating is reasonable in the light of the elements rated. All minus marks must be supported by narrative detail, and of course, all 'Unsatisfactory' ratings must comply with the requirements as set out below.

+ (1) Personal appearance.
+ (2) *Personality and effectiveness of his personal contacts.*
+ (3) Attitude (including dependability, cooperativeness, loyalty, enthusiasm, amenability and willingness to equitably share work load).
+ (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina).
+ (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity.
+ (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required.
+ (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions; ability to define objectives.
+ (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility.
✓ (9) *Planning ability and its application to the work.*
+ (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail.
+ (11) Industry, including energetic consistent application to duties.
+ (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control.
+ (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and 'know how' of application.
O (14) Technical or mechanical skills.
+ (15) Investigative ability and results:
  + (a) Internal security cases
  — (b) Criminal or general investigative cases
  — (c) Fugitive cases
  — (d) Applicant cases
  — (e) Accounting cases
O (16) Physical surveillance ability.
✓ (17) Firearms ability.
O (18) *Development of informants and sources of information.*
+ (19) Reporting ability:
  O (a) Investigative reports
  O (b) Summary reports
  + (c) Memos, letters, wires
  (Consider: — conciseness; — clarity; — organization; — thoroughness; — accuracy; — adequacy and pertinency of leads; — administrative detail.)
O (20) Performance as a witness.
✓ (21) Executive ability:
  + (a) Leadership
  + (b) Ability to handle personnel
  ✓ (c) Planning
  ✓ (d) Making decisions
  + (e) Assignment of work
  + (f) Training subordinates
  + (g) Devising procedures
  + (h) Emotional stability
  + (i) Promoting high morale
  + (j) Getting results
✓ (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments:
  ✓ (a) As leader
  — (b) As participant
+ (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement.
+ (24) Ability to work under pressure.
+ (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate:
  — Capability for
  — additional
  — responsibility.

A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.): Section Chief

B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker): Administrator

C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not 'yes', explain in narrative comments.)
(2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not 'yes', explain in narrative comments.)

D. Has employee had any abnormal sick leave record during rating period? No (If so, explain in narrative comments.)

ADJECTIVE RATING: SATISFACTORY WaB

Outstanding, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
CHIEF
ESPIONAGE SECTION
DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

Special Agent Branigan is Chief of the Espionage Section of the Domestic Intelligence Division. He has an excellent knowledge of intelligence and espionage matters. He is a good administrator. The Espionage Section handles a heavy volume of work. As a result of the current hostilities in southeast China, an unusually heavy volume of work has fallen on the Espionage Section, which work has been largely absorbed through the careful administration and planning of Branigan. He commands the respect and confidence of the supervisors and clerks under his supervision. He approaches problems with the objective of careful analysis and prompt action to get the job done.

During the rating period, Branigan received a letter of censure dated February 17, 1955, in connection with his over-all responsibility in the Espionage Section, for not having promptly disseminated information from an informant to other Government agencies. On March 25, 1955, he was recommended for censure for the ineffective functioning of personnel under his direct supervision in connection with their not following existing Bureau instructions governing the transmittal of amended pages of reports. He was censured for this by letter of April 8, 1955.

During an inspection of the Domestic Intelligence Division in April, 1954, Inspector Van Pelt stated that Branigan appeared to be sincere, conscientious and hard-working, intensely interested in his duties, and to have an above average knowledge of espionage operations. Mr. Van Pelt stated that Branigan seemed to have definite administrative capacity, enthusiasm for his work, and progressiveness in his thinking. Mr. Van Pelt stated that Branigan appeared better suited to his present specialized responsibilities than to the more diversified duties of an official in the field.

Mr. Branigan is available for assignment anywhere to any duties within the Bureau's jurisdiction. He has definite capabilities for further development in the administrative field.

INITIALS:

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: May 11, 1955

FROM : J. P. MOHR

SUBJECT: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
Chief of Espionage Section
Domestic Intelligence Division
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The attached permanent brief of Mr. Branigan's file reflects that he entered on duty July 14, 1941, and is presently in grade GS-15, $10,800 per annum. He is 39 years of age, married, and has four children. He has a Bachelor of Arts Degree, a Bachelor of Laws Degree, and is a member of the New York State Bar. He is a native of New York and his offices of preference are Seat of Government, Washington Field, and San Francisco. He has served in the Los Angeles and San Francisco Divisions and since August 13, 1947, has been assigned to the Domestic Intelligence Division. Mr. Branigan was appointed Chief of the Espionage Section on October 23, 1951, and at the same time was approved as Number One Man to Inspector Hennrich.

During his entire period of service, Mr. Branigan has been censured on eleven occasions. During this same period of time he has been commended on five occasions and, in addition, was commended and given a meritorious increase in salary for his outstanding devotion to duty and his outstanding performance as Number One Man in the Espionage Section on February 18, 1951. His voluntary overtime during the entire period he has been Section Chief has been considerably above the Section and the Division average.

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I have carefully examined the various censures received by Mr. Branigan and can find no particular pattern which might indicate a decided weakness in his supervisory ability. The censures deal primarily with the failure of his subordinates to take proper action in various cases. Typical examples are: failure to have a field office submit an explanation concerning the delay in handling a particular case; failure of one supervisor in his section to record all contacts with a Departmental employee; failure to advise another governmental agency that a list furnished by them was inadequate in that there was not sufficient identifying data concerning the individuals listed to allow the Bureau to make a proper indices search; failure to properly follow and request the field to expedite an important security case; delay in expediting a project being handled by the field; failure to assure that all logical individuals were interviewed in an espionage case; and failure to properly and promptly disseminate information even though the information was received from a questionable source.

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The Espionage Section has been inspected on five occasions since Mr. Branigan's assignment to that section and it is to be noted that the five inspections were conducted by five different Inspectors, namely, former Inspector Gurnea, Mr. Harbo, former Inspector Naughten, former Inspector Stein, and Inspector Van Pelt. All of these Inspectors have commented very favorably concerning the manner in which Mr. Branigan was performing his assigned duties. No serious delinquencies were noted and all Inspectors felt that Mr. Branigan was fully qualified for his assignment and doing a satisfactory job. The inspections were conducted in May, 1949; October, 1950; July, 1952; June, 1953; and April, 1954.

Mr. Belmont has consistently commented very favorably concerning Mr. Branigan's ability, loyalty, initiative, aggressiveness, and capabilities for additional advancement.

The Director saw Mr. Branigan on February 26, 1954, when he called to thank the Director for his reallocation to grade GS-15. The Director said Mr. Branigan seemed to be a very earnest and serious individual and rated him above average.

ACTION

None. The above is submitted for informational purposes.

V. D. Brake

May 18, 1955

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Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

DECLASSIFIED BY 60267 NHS/EPlcd
ON 11-13-01

Dear Mr. Branigan:

The attention of the Bureau has been directed to the inefficient handling of the Internal Security case involving [redacted] in the Espionage Section of the Domestic Intelligence Division. Employees in your section failed to aggressively supervise this case and as a result, the investigation was allowed to drag.

It is your responsibility as Chief of the Espionage Section to insure that personnel under your supervision properly and effectively perform their duties. In the future you will be expected to discharge your responsibility in this regard in a more acceptable manner.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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CC: Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)

Based on memo A. H. Belmont to Mr. Boardman 5/6/55 SBD:hmm:

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

DECLASSIFIED BY 60267 NLS/EP/cd
ON 11-13-01

Dear Mr. Branigan:

Careful consideration has been given to the dilatory handling by the Espionage Section of a memorandum dated April 8, 1955, relating to the Intensification Program. It has been determined that when this memorandum was received in the Espionage Section on April 15, 1955, it contained two recommendations which had not been acted upon. You should have seen to it that this memorandum received prompt attention and your failure to properly follow on this matter resulted in an unreasonable delay before it was handled to completion.

As Chief of the Espionage Section of the Domestic Intelligence Division it is your responsibility to insure the efficient operation of that section. Accordingly, you will be expected to take proper measures to insure against the repetition of such deficiencies on your part and on the part of your subordinates.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

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CC: Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)

Based on memo R. R. Edwards to Mr. Mohr dated 5-24-55. DCM:bak

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO: MR. BELMONT

DATE: May 16, 1955

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FROM: W. A. BRANIGAN

SUBJECT: ESPIONAGE AND FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE INVESTIGATIONS - INTENSIFICATION PROGRAM

Attached is an SAC Letter, the preparation of which was originally approved by the Director pursuant to the memo from Mr. Hennrich to you dated April 8, 1955. This SAC Letter instructs that the deadline for initiating action to identify subjects in contact with Soviet and satellite establishments and officials be extended from 24 to 48 hours.

With regard to the delay in the preparation of the attached SAC Letter, the following is set forth:

The memorandum from Mr. Hennrich to Mr. Belmont which contained the recommendation for the preparation of the SAC Letter was originally received back in the Espionage Section on April 15, 1955, at 10:19 a.m. The memorandum was received by me and since I had instructions from Inspector Hennrich with respect to the preparation of another memorandum concerning an evaluation of our Intensification Program as it related to Yugoslav investigations, I directed the memorandum to SA Sandweg and also endorsed the names of SAs Turner and Meehan on the memorandum. SA Turner was the Agent assigned to prepare the above referred to SAC Letter.

I discussed with Agent Sandweg the preparation of a memorandum with respect to the Yugoslav situation and pursuant to the instructions of Inspector Hennrich, directed that Sandweg contact Inspector Hennrich for further instructions. The memorandum was thereafter held by SA Sandweg while he was preparing a memorandum concerning our Yugoslav coverage. SA Sandweg has indicated to me that he did not note that the memorandum he held required action other than that he had been instructed to take. Following the incident in New York with respect to Yugoslav investigations, the memorandum being prepared by SA Sandweg was deemed unnecessary and he thereafter released the memorandum of April 8, 1955, and it was forwarded on May 4th or 5th, to the office of Supervisor Turner. At the time of receipt, Turner was

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on emergency annual leave and SA [redacted] who was handling [redacted] work was out of the office. [redacted], a clerk, brought the memo to SA [redacted] attention and indicated that this was something he might be interested in. SA [redacted] states that he accepted the material with the understanding that it was given to him for information purposes and for his use in incorporating material into proposed inserts for the Manual of Instructions with respect to the Intensification Program. SA [redacted] states that he recalled having seen tickler copies of memoranda which had been prepared in response to the recommendations in the memorandum of April 8. It should be noted that SA [redacted] does not recall the exact day when he received the memo and the most it was in his possession was two workdays.

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ACTION:

1. I recommend a letter of censure for myself (Branigan) for not having prepared a tickler so that I could have followed the mail and have seen to it that all action was taken promptly.

[redacted]

3. This memorandum should be referred to the Administrative Division and the attached SAC Letter should be sent out.

PERMANENT BRIEFS OF THE PERSONNEL FILES OF SAs [redacted] AND BRANIGAN ARE ATTACHED.

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DATE: May 23, 1955

FROM : W. A. BRANIGAN

SUBJECT: ESPIONAGE AND FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE INVESTIGATIONS - INTENSIFICATION PROGRAM

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With respect to the attached memorandum dated May 16, 1955, I have been requested to include answers to the following questions:

1. Turner was assigned to prepare SAC Letter. Was he told of assignment?

Answer: Special Agent Turner was instructed by Inspector C. E. Hennrich to prepare the correspondence which was indicated in the action of the memorandum from Hennrich to yourself dated April 8, 1955. SA Turner handled such and in this regard prepared the proposed SAC Letter submitting it for approval. SA Turner advised that the SAC Letter was returned to him and he was instructed to hold it until there was final approval of Inspector Hennrich's memorandum and recommended action. On April 15, SA Turner went on emergency annual leave because of the confinement of his wife.

2. What instructions did you give Sandweg?

I discussed with SA Sandweg the preparation of a memorandum concerning Yugoslav investigations, which memorandum would be predicated on the addendum which was added by Assistant to the Director Boardman, to the memorandum from Mr. Hennrich dated April 8, 1955. We did not discuss any other action which was called for by the previously referred to memorandum.

3. Was this listed on the weekly delinquency report? If so, who noted it?

Answer: This was not listed on the weekly delinquency report submitted by SA Sandweg for April 20, 27, and May 4, 1955. It was not listed by SA Payne on the delinquency report submitted May 4, 1955. It should have been listed by SA Sandweg

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on the delinquency report prepared by him while the memo was in his possession. Mr. Sandweg states that he did not list it on his delinquency report since he did not realize this was a piece of mail that had to be counted as delinquency in view of the comments by Mr. Beardman that he desired a memo within 60 days. Sandweg was advised, however, by Mr. Hennrich not to wait the 60-day period but to prepare a memorandum along this line that could be given consideration prior to the expiration of that time. SA Sandweg handled this along with his regular work and did not realize it was a matter that had to be handled immediately.

4. Why did [redacted] think Payne would be interested? If clerk had enough initiative to call it to Payne's attention, didn't he review it and see that SAC Letter was called for?

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Answer: Clerk [redacted] previously advised that the particular piece of mail was received in the office to which she is assigned when both Supervisors were absent from the office. She stated that she brought it to the attention of SA Payne because she knew that he was working on phases of the Intensification Program. She stated she immediately brought it to his attention because it contained the Director's "OK."

SA Payne, as indicated in my attached memorandum did review the material and since he recalled seeing tickler copies of memoranda which had been prepared as the action of the original memorandum of April 8, assumed that the action had been taken.

5. How did Turner finally get the mail?

Answer: The memorandum of April 8, 1955, was discovered by myself on Sunday, May 8, in going through the workbox of SA Payne.

6. Do you have workbox or similar checks? What corrective measures are proposed to prevent recurrence?

Answer: We do employ a monthly check of workboxes of the Supervisors in the Espionage Section. This check is

made by the Supervisors in Charge and is also made to a lesser degree by the No. One Man and myself. The situation here was due primarily to my failure to make a tickler on the basis of the memorandum so that I would have personally followed it to assure that the proper action was taken. Ordinarily I do make such ticklers. In this instance, however, I missed this one and will be more alert to insure that ticklers are made in the future.

ACTION:

This is submitted for your information and in connection with the attached memorandum of May 16, 1955.



Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. Tolson

DATE: May 24, 1955

FROM : A. L. Edwards

SUBJECT:

SA WILLIAM H. SANDWEG	SA H. DUDLEY PAINE
Supervisor-Espionage Section	Supervisor-Espionage Section
Domestic Intelligence Division	Domestic Intelligence Division
EOD 7/27/42	EOD 12/9/40 GS-13, $8760
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Mr. Branigan's memoranda to Mr. Belmont, 5/16 and 5/23/55 set forth details relative to delay on part of Espionage Section in handling recommendation, which was approved by Director, for SAC Letter. Memorandum Hennrich to Belmont 4/8/55 regarding Intensification Program contained four recommendations which were approved by Director, first two being handled by letters to New York and Chicago dated 4/13/55. This memorandum was then routed to the Espionage Section for handling the two remaining recommendations, one calling for a memorandum regarding justification of utilization of manpower in connection with handling of this program, and the other calling for an SAC Letter extending the deadline for initiating actions to identify subjects in contact cases from 24 to 48 hours. Mr. Hennrich's memorandum was received in Espionage Section 4/15/55 at 10:19 a.m. by Section Chief Branigan. Branigan had instructions from Hennrich to prepare the justification memorandum and Branigan directed the memorandum of 4/8 to SA Sandweg to prepare the required memorandum and wrote on the memorandum of 4/8 the names of SAs E. T. Turner and J. J. Keehan since Turner was assigned to prepare the SAC Letter.

On 4/15/55 Branigan discussed with Sandweg the preparation of the justification memorandum and told Sandweg to contact Hennrich for further instructions. Branigan did not discuss with Sandweg the other recommendation regarding the SAC Letter. Sandweg the same day spoke with Hennrich but since the latter was busy on Mr. Belmont's desk, Sandweg left the memorandum of 4/8 with Hennrich for consideration. The following work day, 4/18/55, Hennrich instructed Sandweg not to wait 60 days to prepare the memorandum as suggested by Mr. Boardman, but to start the memorandum then. At that time Sandweg received back the memorandum of 4/8 and started to prepare the justification memorandum; however, due to the development of the situation in New York and the discontinuance of surveillances on Yugoslavs he was advised that the justification memorandum was no longer necessary and he destroyed the one he had prepared and released the memorandum of 4/8 on or about 5/4/55 or 5/5/55.

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Mr. Belmont (Direct)

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This memorandum then went to the office of SA Turner; however, he was on emergency annual leave when it was received in his office and his relief was out of the office. Therefore, a clerk brought the memorandum to the attention of SA Payne indicating that it was something he might be interested in since he was working on a phase of the Intensification Program. Payne received the material and reviewed it believing he had received it for information purposes. He recalled having seen tickler copies of memoranda prepared as the action of the original memorandum of 4/8 and assumed that final action had been taken. Payne does not recall the exact day he received the memorandum and it was not in his possession over two workdays.

On Sunday, 5/8/55, Branigan, while conducting a workbox check, discovered the memorandum of 4/8 in Payne's workbox. At this time the recommendation for handling of the SAC Letter had not been carried out.

SA Turner had originally been instructed by Hennrich to prepare the SAC Letter at the time Hennrich's memorandum of 4/8 was written and he did so; however, it was returned to him to hold until the action in Hennrich's memorandum was approved. On 4/15/55 SA Turner was on annual leave due to his wife's confinement and he did not return to duty until 5/11/55. However, he was working the weekend of 5/8 and when the memorandum was discovered that day not handled he left a note for his relief to handle the next workday. On Monday, 5/9/55, SA E. H. Stewart, relief for SA Turner, took the original SAC Letter Turner had previously prepared to Branigan for handling, and Branigan sent it through after having it retyped that day. However, it became necessary to fix responsibility for the delay, and accompanying memoranda regarding the fixing of responsibility were revised several times with the result that the SAC Letter, which is attached, was typed on 5/16/55.

SA Sandweg failed to list Hennrich's memorandum of 4/8/55 on his weekly delinquency lists for 4/20, 4/27 and 5/4/55. It was not listed by SA Payne on his delinquency list of 5/4/55. SA Sandweg stated he did not list the memorandum on his delinquency reports since he did not realize it was a piece of mail that had to be counted as delinquent in view of Mr. Boardman's comments that he desired a memorandum within 60 days. However, Sandweg had been advised by Hennrich not to wait the 60-day period but to prepare the memorandum so that consideration could be given to it prior to the expiration of that time. Branigan stated the situation was primarily his responsibility due to his failure to make a tickler on the basis of the memorandum so that he could have personally followed it to insure that proper action was taken.

Domestic Intelligence Division recommended that Section Chief Branigan be censured for not having prepared a tickler so that he could have followed the mail to see that all action was taken promptly; that SA Sandweg be censured for his failure to note that other action was required on the memorandum, and that the attached SAC Letter be sent out.

RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION:

(1) It is recommended that SA Supervisor William H. Sandweg, Domestic Intelligence Division, be censured for his improper handling of this matter in that (1) he held mail from 4/18/55 to approximately 5/4/55 with the result that the recommendation relating to the preparation of the SAC Letter was not properly and promptly carried out and (2) for his failure to list this item on delinquency reports of 4/20, 4/27 and 5/4/55.

(2) It is also recommended that SA Supervisor H. Dudley Payne, Domestic Intelligence Division, be censured for holding mail without realizing that it required further action.

(3) It is further recommended that Section Chief Branigan,

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Espionage Section, be censured inasmuch as he has the over-all responsibility for the Espionage Section, and for his failure to set up a proper tickler to insure that this matter would be promptly and completely handled.

(4) It is also recommended that the attached SAC Letter be approved.

PERMANENT BRIEFS OF THE PERSONNEL FILES OF SAS SANDWEG AND PAYNE AND [redacted] BRANIGAN ARE ATTACHED.

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN

DATE: May 3, 1955

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: [redacted] b6
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In connection with my memorandum to you dated 4/29/55, the Director asked three questions. They are, together with the answers, as follows:

1. Concerning the investigation, the Director asked, "When was it started?"

ANSWER: The investigation was started on 9/6/51. The investigation was designed to cover the activities of subject as well as to resolve the allegations against him.

2. The Director asked, "When was dissemination made?"

ANSWER: The following is a list of reports disseminated, showing the date of the report and the date of dissemination by the Bureau:

Date of Report	Date Disseminated	Date of Report	Date Disseminated
12/4/51	12/13/51	10/7/52	10/16/52
1/24/52	2/25/52	2/9/53	2/17/53
1/30/52	2/15/52	4/13/53	4/23/53
1/15/52	4/29/52	5/18/53	6/10/53
4/22/52	5/5/52	6/23/53	7/1/53
4/28/52	5/16/52	6/24/53	7/2/53
5/6/52	5/19/52	9/30/53	10/8/53
7/1/52	7/23/52	1/11/54	1/19/54
7/10/52	7/23/52	2/4/54	2/24/54
7/21/52	8/5/52	2/10/54	2/25/54
9/25/52	10/9/52	4/6/54	4/20/54

3. The Director asked, "Why is it you so frequently fail to give dates? It always arouses my suspicion of delay."

ANSWER: While the date the investigation was started is set forth in the second full paragraph of page two of the memorandum, it is regretted that the dates of dissemination were not shown. These

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dates were omitted in view of the large number of reports that have been disseminated. We are conscious of the necessity of including pertinent dates in memoranda and every effort will be taken to insure they are included in the future.

The extensive period since last report (4/6/54) has been noted. Analysis reveals that as of last report investigation had evolved into one of following activities of subject. Communist activities had not been proven but question remained as to his participation in Rumanian Iron Guard activities in U.S. Detroit was followed by O-1 Form 5/28/54 to which it replied report was awaiting interview with another subject in related case and would be submitted 6/25/54. Washington Field Office by letter 5/26/54 suggested interview of [redacted] ex-Iron Guardist in Canada, concerning subject. Bureau authorized interview 6/8/54 by airtel. [redacted] refused to come to Windsor, Canada for interview scheduled 6/18/54 and planned interview dropped. [redacted] Bulet 9/20/54 directed Detroit to review file and submit recommendation as to advisability of interview of subject. Detroit letter 10/20/54 recommended interview which was authorized by Bulet 11/5/54. Detroit letter 12/13/54 pointed out language difficulties indicated services of Bureau Rumanian interpreter needed. On basis of this and to economize in use of interpreter, Bureau planned eight interviews in Midwest with Rumanians regarding Iron Guard activities where interpreter needed. Bulet 12/21/54 instructed Detroit to set up schedule. Each case studied at Bureau to guide interviews along productive lines and Bulet to Detroit 1/18/55 in [redacted] case specified line of questioning. Interviews conducted during January and February and interview with [redacted] concluded 2/21/55. Detroit airtel 2/22/55 advising of completion of interview indicated report would be submitted. Detroit instructed by airtel 4/29/55 to submit report immediately.

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Supervisor Leonard F. Kurtz supervised this case from 4/12/54 until 8/2/54. He properly sent status inquiry to Detroit 5/28/54. Detroit indicated report was awaiting interview of subject of related case and promised report by 6/25/54. Supervisor Kurtz states he felt this was logical and authority for this interview, requested 6/3/54,* was promptly granted 6/8/54. As previously indicated, this interview was abandoned after person refused interview on 6/18/54. Kurtz advises he was unable to give this case further attention in June and July, 1954, for following reasons: (1) supervisor working with him at In-Service

*REQUEST BY DETROIT PURSUANT TO (WASHINGTON) FIELD SUGGESTION OF 5/26/54

and Administrative Firearms, June 7 through June 26, 1954, placing heavy work load on him, and (2) he was on annual leave from July 9, through July 30, 1954.

Supervisor Graham W. Kitchel assumed supervision of this case 8/2/54 when he took over supervision of desk. He instituted review of each of large group of cases in order to familiarize himself with work and to direct each case along logical lines. This review had to be accomplished during handling of regular mail volume. As result of this review, he directed Detroit by letter 9/20/54 to consider interview with subject and authorized it on 11/5/54. His efforts since that time have been aimed at arranging this interview so as to overcome language difficulties and to coordinate interviews with 7 other subjects regarding the Iron Guard. Supervisor Kitchel advises he did not insist on a report within 45 days of completion of interview since he realized that Detroit, as result of the 4 scheduled interviews in that territory, would have to prepare 4 extensive reports.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Recommend no action for Bureau Supervisor Leonard F. Kurtz who properly followed case when assuming supervision but was precluded from doing so during June because of 3-weeks absence of supervisor with whom he worked and 3-week absence in July on annual leave. Not believed he should be held accountable due to heavy volume of work required by work of 2 desks nor should he be held accountable for action not taken in his absence.

2. Recommend letter of censure for Section Chief William A. Branigan for improper functioning of Espionage Section resulting in lengthy delay in supervision of this case.

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3. Recommend letter of censure for Bureau Supervisor Graham W. Kitchel for failure to insist upon prompt submission of report after 2/21/55 when he was aware interview, which constituted the outstanding investigation at that time, had been completed as of that date.

4. Detroit Office telephonically instructed today to obtain and submit to Bureau explanations of Supervisor and Agent for delay of over two months in submission of report since interview concluded 2/21/55.

Surely this indicates gross lethargy & lack of proper supervision in Dom. Int. Div.

PERMANENT BRIEFS OF THE PERSONNEL FILES OF SAs KURTZ, KITCHEL, AND BRANIGAN ARE ATTACHED.

FD-253 (11-22-54)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of $10, payable to the Assistant Director, Administrative Division, FBI, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for a continuous period of two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Assistant Director of the Administrative Division of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Assistant Director of the Administrative Division, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $10,000. The liability of the fund shall not under any circumstances exceed the amount of monies in the fund at the time any liability shall occur. The following person is designated as my beneficiary for FBI Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name Lois H. BRANIGAN Relationship WIFE Date 5-20-55

Address 2317 N. KENTUCKY ST., ARLINGTON, VA.

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing $1500 death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in the line of duty.

Name Lois H. BRANIGAN Relationship WIFE Date 5-20-55

Address 2317 N. KENTUCKY ST. ARLINGTON, VA

MAY 25 1955

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Very truly yours,

W. C. Branigan
Special Agent

Standard Form 88
(Rev. Aug. 1950)
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BUREAU OF THE BUDGET
CIRCULAR A-24

REPORT OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION

1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME	2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION	3. IDENTIFICATION NO.
BRANIGAN, WILLIAM J.	SPECIAL AGENT	
4. HOME ADDRESS (*Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State*)	**5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION**	**6. DATE OF EXAMINATION**
2317 N. Kentucky St., Arl., Va.	Annual	3-28-55

7. SEX	8. RACE	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE MILITARY	CIVILIAN	10. DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, OR SERVICE	11. ORGANIZATION UNIT
M	W				

12. DATE OF BIRTH	13. PLACE OF BIRTH	14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
3-23-16	New York	

15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS	16. OTHER INFORMATION
NNMC Bethesda	

17. RATING OR SPECIALTY — TIME IN THIS CAPACITY: TOTAL — LAST SIX MONTHS

CLINICAL EVALUATION

NORMAL	ABNORMAL	(*Check each item in appropriate column; enter "N. E." if not evaluated*)
X		18. HEAD, FACE, NECK, AND SCALP
X		19. NOSE
X		20. SINUSES
X		21. MOUTH AND THROAT
X		22. EARS—GENERAL (*Int. & ext. canals*) (*Auditory acuity under items 70 and 71*)
X		23. DRUMS (*Perforation*)
X		24. EYES—GENERAL (*Visual acuity and refraction under items 59, 60, and 61*)
X		25. OPHTHALMOSCOPIC
X		26. PUPILS (*Equality and reaction*)
X		27. OCULAR MOTILITY (*Associated parallel movements, nystagmus*)
X		28. LUNGS AND CHEST (*Include breasts*)
X		29. HEART (*Thrust, size, rhythm, sounds*)
X		30. VASCULAR SYSTEM (*Varicosities, etc.*)
X		31. ABDOMEN AND VISCERA (*Include hernia*)
X		32. ANUS AND RECTUM (*Hemorrhoids, fistulae*) (*Prostate if indicated*)
X		33. ENDOCRINE SYSTEM
X		34. G-U SYSTEM
X		35. UPPER EXTREMITIES (*Strength, range of motion*)
X		36. FEET
X		37. LOWER EXTREMITIES (*Except feet*) (*Strength, range of motion*)
X		38. SPINE, OTHER MUSCULOSKELETAL
	X	39. IDENTIFYING BODY MARKS, SCARS, TATTOOS
	X	40. SKIN, LYMPHATICS
X		41. NEUROLOGIC (*Equilibrium tests under item 72*)
N		42. PSYCHIATRIC (*Specify any personality deviation*)
Females only		(*Check how done*)
		43. PELVIC ☐ VAGINAL ☐ RECTAL

NOTES.—Describe every abnormality in detail. (Enter pertinent item number before each comment; continue in item 73 and use additional sheets if necessary.)

Appendectomy scar.
39. Seb. cyst scar - behind rt. ear
40. Skin polyp - left buttock.

(*Continue in item 73*)

44. DENTAL (*Place appropriate symbols above or below number of upper and lower teeth, respectively*)
O.—*Restorable teeth* /.—*Nonrestorable teeth* X.—*Missing teeth* XXX.—*Replaced by dentures* (6 × 8).—*Fixed bridge, brackets to include abutments*

RIGHT	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	LEFT
	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	

REMARKS AND ADDITIONAL DENTAL DEFECTS AND DISEASES

No missing teeth
Type III
Class I
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LABORATORY FINDINGS

45. URINALYSIS: SP. GR. 1.025			46. CHEST X-RAY (*Place, date, film number, result*)	47. SEROLOGY (*Specify test and result*)
ALBUMIN	SUGAR	MICROSCOPIC		
Neg.	Neg.	Neg/	Negative 43232	Kahn, Negative
48. EKG		49. BLOOD TYPE AND RH FACTOR	50. OTHER TESTS	
Normal				

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MEASUREMENTS AND OTHER FINDINGS

51. HEIGHT	52. WEIGHT	53. COLOR HAIR	54. COLOR EYES	55. BUILD: SLENDER ☐ MEDIUM ☐ HEAVY ☒ OBESE ☐	56. TEMP.
71 3/4	198	Brown	Brown		

57. BLOOD PRESSURE (*Arm at heart level*)

58. PULSE (*Arm at heart level*)

SITTING	SYS. 132	RECUM-BENT	SYS.	STANDING (*3 min.*)	SYS.	SITTING	JUN 14 12 41 PM '55	AFTER EXERCISE	2 MIN. AFTER	RECUMBENT	AFTER STANDING 3 MIN.
	DIAS. 84		DIAS.		DIAS.						

59. DISTANT VISION		60. REFRACTION		61. NEAR VISION	
RIGHT 20/ 40	CORR. TO 20/ 20	BY	CX	CORR. TO	BY
LEFT 20/ 30	CORR. TO 20/ 20	BY	S. CX	CORR. TO	BY

REC'D PERSONNEL SECTION

62. HETEROPHORIA (*Specify distance*) ES° EX° R. H. L. H. PRISM DIV. PRISM CONV. PC PD

63. ACCOMMODATION	64. COLOR VISION (*Test used and result*)	65. DEPTH PERCEPTION (*Test used and score*)	UNCORRECTED
RIGHT LEFT	AOC 1940 18/18		CORRECTED

66. FIELD OF VISION	67. NIGHT VISION (*Test used and score*)	68. RED LENS	69. INTRAOCULAR TENSION

70. HEARING	71. AUDIOMETER								72. PSYCHOLOGICAL AND PSYCHOMOTOR (*Tests used and score*)
		250 *256*	500 *512*	1000 *1024*	2000 *2048*	3000 *2896*	4000 *4096*	8000 *8192*	
RIGHT WV 15 /15 SV 15 /15	RIGHT								
LEFT WV 15 /15 SV 15 /15	LEFT								

73. NOTES (*Continued*) AND SIGNIFICANT OR INTERVAL HISTORY

Mild dry skin - dial soap.

(*Use additional sheets of plain paper if necessary*)

74. SUMMARY OF DEFECTS AND DIAGNOSES (*List diagnoses with item numbers*)

75. RECOMMENDATIONS—FURTHER SPECIALIST EXAMINATIONS INDICATED (*Specify*)

76. PHYSICAL PROFILE

P	U	L	H	E	S

77. EXAMINEE (*Check*)
☒ IS
☐ IS NOT QUALIFIED FOR strenuous physical exertion and firearms

PHYSICAL CATEGORY

78. IF NOT QUALIFIED, LIST DISQUALIFYING DEFECTS BY ITEM NUMBER

A	B	C	E

79. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN	SIGNATURE s/ N. P. ASPEN	
80. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN	SIGNATURE	
81. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF DENTIST OR PHYSICIAN (*Indicate which*)	SIGNATURE s/ A. T. SMITH	
82. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF REVIEWING OFFICER OR APPROVING AUTHORITY	SIGNATURE	NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS

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ATTACHMENT TO STANDARD FORM 88
(Revised July 21, 1952)

Report of Medical Examination

FOR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE OF MEDICAL EXAMINER:

The following portions of the attached examination report form need not be completed:

2	67
3	68
11	69
14	71 (unless other examination indicates desirable)
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65	72

Item 48, the electrocardiogram, is not required unless the examinee is over 35 years of age or unless other examination indicates such is desirable.

If the examinee is an applicant, the Chest X ray and blood type and Rh factor (Items 46 and 49) are not necessary unless the facilities for affording same are readily available to the examiner.

FOR ALL EXAMINEES, WHETHER CLERICAL OR SPECIAL AGENT APPLICANTS OR EMPLOYEES:

The medical examiner should answer the following question:

Examinee is (is or ~~is not~~) qualified for strenuous physical exertion. (Designate which)

FOR ALL MALE EMPLOYEES OR APPLICANTS:

The medical examiner is requested to answer the following:

Does examinee have any defects restricting or prohibiting his participation in defensive tactics and dangerous assignments which might entail the practical use of firearms?

No

If answer is "yes" please specify.

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT ALL STATEMENTS IN ITEMS 59, 61, 64 AND 70 PERTAINING TO VISUAL ACUITY, COLOR VISION AND HEARING BE COMPLETED IN DETAIL.

Nelson P. Lyle
(Signature of Medical Examiner)

6-6-55
(Date)

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ENCLOSURE

June 22, 1955

Personal and ~~Confidential~~

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

DECLASSIFIED BY 60267 NLS/EP/cd
ON 11-13-01

Dear Mr. Branigan:

I have noted the effective manner in which you carried out your responsibilities in connection with the recent Operation Alert and I want to personally commend you.

You may be justifiably proud of the fact that the highly competent manner in which you handled your duties was instrumental in making this operation a success. I sincerely appreciate your exemplary performance.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

cc: Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)

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Based on memo Harbo to Tolson 6/17/55 ~~EOM:DMG~~.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: June 10, 1955

FROM : Mr. W. A. Branigan

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This memorandum is being prepared in response to your request as to the delay in the preparation of the memorandum bearing this caption from A. H. Belmont to L. V. Boardman dated 6-9-55, as to why this memorandum was not submitted prior to 6 o'clock on 6-9-55.

65-62562-103

Shortly after 2 p.m. on 6-8-55, SA [redacted] received oral instructions from SA W. V. Cleveland that a memorandum was to be prepared explaining why the investigation in instant lagged. In order to prepare a factual and complete memorandum it was necessary to review all four sections of the file to determine at what time various steps in this investigation took place. An analysis of the investigation was also prepared. SA [redacted] remained until 10 p.m. on 6-8-55 conducting his review.

On the morning of 6-9-55 the matter was discussed with Supervisor in Charge R. J. Lamphere and the memorandum was organized and prepared by SA [redacted] Just prior to dictation, at 12:29 p.m. on 6-9-55, SA [redacted] received the original on which the notation appeared "Our investigation obviously lagged; explanation being requested." Inspector C. E. Hennrich at this time instructed SA [redacted] to prepare, in addition, answers as to why the Bureau interviewed [redacted] who authorized the interviews and what was suggested to be gained. This required additional research and preparation for dictation. The memorandum was prepared and prior to the completion of the memorandum the first two pages were discussed with Inspector Hennrich, around 5 o'clock, and certain changes were suggested. The final memorandum, consisting of 8 pages in its entirety, was delivered to Mr. Belmont's office approximately 7 p.m. on 6-9-55.

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RECOMMENDATION:

This memorandum has been prepared at your request.

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Ticklers: Belmont
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(4) WBB:rmp [redacted]

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June 29, 1955

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Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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ON 11-13-01

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Dear Mr. Branigan:

Your over-all supervision at the Seat of Government of an operation conducted by the Washington Field Office pertaining to the internal security of the nation is deserving of special recognition and praise.

The handling of this delicate matter is truly an outstanding accomplishment and the constructive guidance you afforded the field was instrumental in the excellent results achieved. I am happy to express my appreciation and commendation for your exemplary services.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

cc: Mr. Belmont (Personal attention)

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Based on memo 6/14/55 Belmont to Boardman SBD:dmd;
Administrative Division addendum 6/28/55 JMA:hup.

Supervised development of [redacted] as informants. b7D

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July 14, 1955

PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Branigan:

Today is your fourteenth anniversary as a member of the FBI team and I want to join with all your other friends in extending congratulations upon this occasion. Yours has been a fine record and we are looking forward to having you with us for many more years.

Sincerely,

/s/ J. Edgar Hoover

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PERSONAL AND CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

DECLASSIFIED BY 60267 NLS/EP/cd
ON 11-14-01

Dear Mr. Branigan:

The Bureau has noted your dilatory handling of phases of the Internal Security investigations concerning [redacted] which involved possible administrative action regarding personnel handling these cases. It has been observed that the administrative action in both of these matters was initiated in the Espionage Section during April, 1955, and pertinent memoranda were referred to you for personal attention. However, you did not submit summary memoranda in these matters until July, 1955.

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There appears to have been no justification for the delay which occurred on your part in these matters. You will be expected in the future to see to it that you afford more prompt and thorough attention to similar matters of this nature.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

DCM:bgk

CC: Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)

Based on memo Branigan to Belmont dated 7/1/55, JAB:hmm.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. BELMONT

FROM : W. A. BRANIGAN

SUBJECT:

DATE: July 1, 1955

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Attached are memoranda to you in the cases of [redacted] Internal Security - Chinese; and [redacted] Internal Security - R.

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It will be noted that both of these memoranda involve administrative action which was first initiated in the Espionage Section during April, 1955. Both memoranda were referred to me for personal attention. I am responsible for the delay in following through on the action. I have no explanation to offer other than the fact that each time I attempted to take the necessary time to resolve the action, some other matter seemingly of a more urgent nature detracted me from it. I sincerely regret the delay and I appreciate that at this time the explanation offered by me is wholly inadequate. It is recommended that I be severely censured for the delay in handling these matters.

Note: Each of the cases involved is being handled separately as to other personnel. DCM 7/6/55

Enclosures (Enclosures detached & handled separately DCM 7/14/55)

WAB:hmm
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cc: Belmont
Branigan
Administrative Division

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TO : L. V. BOARDMAN

DATE: June 14, 1955

FROM : A. H. BELMONT

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(S) SUBJECT: [redacted] (S)

William A. Branigan

[redacted] Referral/Consult

[redacted]

(S) [redacted]

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[redacted]. The Laboratory furnished this material to [redacted]

(S) [redacted] Referral/Consult

(U) [redacted] (S)

cc - Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Donahoe
Administrative Division

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See Addendum of Administrative Division, Page 4.
Attachments (3)

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Memorandum to Mr. Boardman from Mr. Belmont

SAC, Washington Field Office (WFO) by letter 6-10-55 submitted following recommendations for personnel of that office:

SA John T. Minnich - SAC recommends $500 cash award. Form FD-255 submitted. For two years Minnich handled case and developed valuable information by thorough, imaginative, and tenacious investigation. When subject indicated he might barter intelligence information Bureau was in position to effectively evaluate proposition. Minnich met subject on three occasions and on last occasion obtained data evaluated above. This accomplishment attributed primarily to intelligent, forceful, and carefully planned manner in which Minnich handled case with complete disregard to hours of work and personal plans.

SA [redacted] - SAC recommends $100 cash award. Form FD-225 submitted. [redacted] supervised and gave intelligent and foresighted direction to case. Close followed activities of Special Agent and results attained, keeping in mind tremendous potential of successful culmination and fully alert to possible risk of international embarrassment. Under his leadership results of major importance and tremendous value achieved.

SAC, WFO recommended letters of commendation to Field Supervisor [redacted] and Special Agents Wilfred L. Bergeron, [redacted] under direction of SAC, had responsibility for over-all supervision and through close day to day following of matter furnished counsel and guidance. Agents Bergeron, [redacted] arranged for technical coverage of the three meetings. Their efforts produced excellent recordings of developments which transpired which were of real benefit in reviewing results of meetings.

Bureau Supervisor handling case was Leonard F. Kurtz. He has given many helpful suggestions and excellent guidance to Washington Field Office which has resulted in obtaining of cryptographic material of extreme value. During operation of this delicate (U) double agent case no embarrassment has resulted to

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Memorandum to Mr. Boardman from Mr. Belmont

Bureau and information has been received which could not have been obtained in any other manner. He has given unstintingly of his time and efforts without regard to personal convenience and it is believed case represents excellent example of effective supervision.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Recommended meritorious cash awards for Agent John T. Minnich and Field Supervisor [redacted] as specified by SAC, WFO.

2. Recommend letters of commendation for Field Supervisor [redacted] and Agents Bergeron, [redacted] as specified by SAC, WFO.

3. Recommend meritorious cash award of $100 for Bureau Supervisor Leonard F. Kurtz for his highly effective supervision.

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4. Recommend letters of commendation for Section Chief William A. Branigan and Inspector Carl E. Hennrich who helped set policy followed and gave constructive guidance.

5. Recommend letter of commendation to SAC Leo L. Laughlin since this case reflects most favorably on the operations of the Washington Field Office and is a credit to the intelligent investigation and supervision of his staff.

ADDENDUM OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION June 22, 1955
JBA:hvp

Bureau Records of SAs Minnich, [redacted], and Kurtz

SA Minnich EOD 8-5-40 as messenger, 6-21-43 as Special Agent-L and 2-3-47, as Special Agent. He is in Grade GS-13, $8360 per annum, and services satisfactory although cautioned 11-28-50 for delay in writing report, and censured, placed on probation, and removed as supervisor in Records and Communications Division 8-6-51, for lack of supervision, resulting in loafing by employees. Commended four times since September, 1950.

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[redacted]

SA Kurtz EOD 1-13-41, and is in Grade GS-14, $9800 per annum. He was suspended without pay 8-12-41 to 8-22-41, in connection with the Beaux Arts Apartments incident for associating with persons of disreputable character. Also censured 5-18-55, for failure to aggressively supervise Internal Security case, resulting in case being allowed to drag. In connection with this incident, the Director noted, "Surely this indicates gross lethargy and lack of proper Supervision in Domestic Intelligence Division". Commended one time, and services otherwise satisfactory.

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Conclusions and Recommendations of the Administrative Division

The performance of SAs Minnich, [redacted] and Kurtz in connection with this case meets standards of Incentive Awards Program concerning sustained above-average performance, and performance involving the overcoming of unusual difficulties. Performance of SA Minnich considered to be of major value and broad application to Bureau's work, entitling him to cash award of from $500 to $750. Outstanding supervision on part of SAs [redacted] and Kurtz considered to be of minor value and broad application to Bureau's work, entitling them to cash awards of from $50 to $100 each. Accordingly,

(1) It is recommended that SA Minnich be granted a cash award in the amount of $500, and SAs [redacted] and Kurtz be granted cash awards of $100 each. It is noted that $500 is the maximum amount the Director is authorized to approve without referral to the Department.

I AGREE JPM-NPC 6/24

JAS 6/24

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(2) It is recommended that letters of commendation be directed to SAC Laughlin and SAs [redacted], Bergeron, [redacted] of WFO, and Section Chief Branigan, and Inspector Hennrich at SOG.

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I AGREE JPM-NPC 6/24

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Awards & Commendation
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PERMANENT BRIEFS OF THE PERSONAL FILES OF SAS MINNICH, [redacted] AND KURTZ [redacted] ATTACHED.

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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROP
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

I certify that I have received the following Government property for official use:
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MANUAL OF LEAVE REGULATIONS # 248

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The Government property which you hereby acknowledge is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care of it and returning it when its use has been completed. DO NOT MARK OR WRITE ON IT OR MULTILATE IT IN ANY WAY. 75

Very truly yours,
W. A. Branigan
William A. Branigan

Director, FBI

Domestic Intelligence

FIREARMS DELINQUENCIES

The following personnel of your Division are delinquent in firearms training for the first half of the calendar year 1955:

A. H. Belmont, delinquent 4 shoots, fiscal year 1955
F. J. Baumgardner, delinquent June shoot
V. A. Branigan, delinquent April and June shoots
J. F. Brown, delinquent April and June shoots
F. V. Cleveland, delinquent June shoot
T. Coleman, delinquent April and June shoots
E. E. Donahoe, delinquent June shoot
[redacted]
R. G. Jensen, delinquent June shoot
F. P. Keay, delinquent June shoot
W. V. Klemp, delinquent June shoot
[redacted]
J. G. Landis, delinquent June shoot
[redacted]
E. E. Reddy, delinquent June shoot
E. S. Sanders, delinquent June shoot
E. E. Stewart, delinquent June shoot
D. J. Sullivan, delinquent June shoot
W. C. Sullivan, delinquent June shoot
E. T. Turner, delinquent April and June shoots
[redacted]
J. K. Vacks, delinquent June shoot
[redacted]

This is an undesirable situation, and I expect all firearms delinquencies removed by the close of business July 26, 1955, unless meritorious circumstances exist, in which event you shall submit an explanation and advise when the delinquency will be removed.

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(Cover memo R. D. Harbo to Mr. Tolson 7/26/55 re Status of Firearms Training for Investigative Personnel at the Seat of Government EDM:dmg)

THREE

53 JUL 25 1955

The Training and Inspection Division is issuing instructions to report firearms delinquencies for fiscal year 1965 which have not been made up by the close of business July 30, 1965, and to submit to me appropriate recommendations for administrative action.

November 7, 1955

PERSONAL AND ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

DECLASSIFIED BY 60262 NLSP/cd
ON 11-14-01

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Branigan:

The Bureau has noted that during the perod from May 10, 1955, through October 28, 1955, you failed on a number of occasions to detect nonsubstantive errors which appeared in communications you approved. As you are aware, it is imperative that the highest degree of care be exercised in reviewing official correspondence.

Accordingly, you will be expected to increase your efforts in the future to prevent errors in official Bureau correspondence.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

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RGH:bmk
cc 42 Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)

Based on memo Belmont to Boardman dated 11/7/55 Personal.

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NAME: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN — SUPERVISORY SPECIAL AGENT (Chief of Espionage Section)

EOD: 7/14/41 GRADE: GS-15 $11,880

NONVETERAN

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR BELMONT:

Mr. Branigan is Chief of the Espionage Section of the Domestic Intelligence Division. This is one of our most important Sections. He supervises some of the most important cases in the security field - cases which require analysis, judgment, and careful handling. Under Branigan, this Section has stressed programs to advance the Bureau in the field of intelligence and counterespionage, with particular stress on careful analysis and imagination to accomplish this goal. Branigan is able, industrious and conscientious.

Rating: Satisfactory.

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR TAMM:

Mr. Branigan has a thorough knowledge of the Bureau's activities in the Espionage field. He exercises sound judgment and displays imagination in planning the programs of his Section. He is sincere, conscientious and loyal. He has no problems and is available.

Domestic Intelligence Division Inspection
August 18, 1955
AHB:LL

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1. Agency and organizational designations
U.S. Department of Justice
Federal Bureau of Investigation

2. Pe[illegible]od | 3. Block No. | 4. Slip No. 1522

5. Employee's name (and social security account number when appropriate)
MR. WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN 078[illegible] Field

6. Grade and salary
GS 15 $11,880

PAY ROLL CHANGE DATA

	BASE PAY	OVERTIME		GROSS PAY	RET.	TAX.....	BOND	F. I. C. A.			NET PAY
7. Previous normal											
8. New normal											
9. Pay this period											

10. Remarks:

11. Appropriation(s)
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12. Prepared by

13. Audited by

☒ Periodic step-increase ☐ Pay adjustment ☐ Other step-increase.....

14. Effective date	15. Date last equivalent increase	16. Old salary rate	17. New salary rate	18. Performance rating is satisfactory or better.
8-28-55	2-2[illegible]-54	$11,610	$11,880	(Signature or other authentication)

19. LWOP data (Fill in appropriate spaces covering LWOP during following periods):
Period(s): 45 AUG 18 1955

☒ No excess LWOP. Total excess LWOP.....

(Check applicable box in case of excess LWOP)
☐ In pay status at end of waiting period.
☐ In LWOP status at end of waiting period.

[illegible] Initials of Clerk

STANDARD FORM NO. 1126d—Revised
Form prescribed by Comp. Gen., U. S.
Nov. 8, 1950, General Regulations No. 102

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FIELD FIREARMS TRAINING RECORD

SPECIAL AGENT Branigan, William A.

FD-40
3-25-47

OFFICE	MO./YR.	HS	PPC	SG	.30	MG	GAS	RD			QUALIFIED
		88	92	100		12					1 PP, PPC, 1 SG, 1 MG
		88	92								
	7/44	Absent									
	8/49	88	94	100							
		92	91			90					1 dle
	1/ 6/ 50				48	42					1 PPC
IS		85	89		85	90					1 SG
m.u. 9/50		84	88	100		80					1 MG
	9/50	92	94	100	80	92					
		84	95			88					
M.O.					92	90					
	5/51	78	82	100							
M.O.		96	92			92					
	8/51	88	85	100		60					
	9/51	90	92		84	96					
	X/51	84	86		78	92					
	M/O		88	100		96					
	7/52	78	94			92					
	8/52	90	90								
MU	5/53	88	90	100		84					
	6/53										
	7/53	90	76	92		94					
	1/55	80	83	100		80					
make-up	1/55	84	78	100		84					
"	7/25/55	86	86	100		70					
Make Up		88	80	100		78					

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. L. V. Boardman

FROM : A. H. Belmont

DATE: November 1, 1955

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SUBJECT: ERRORS

In accordance with instructions contained in the Director's memorandum of May 10, 1955, a tabulation has been maintained in connection with reviewing officials who approve correspondence containing nonsubstantive errors. During the period May 10, 1955, through October 28, 1955, Section Chief William A. Branigan had eleven such errors and SA Elliott T. Turner had ten such errors charged against them.

A review of these errors reflects that they were all of a nonserious nature, and none of the errors changed the meaning of the communications in question in any way. I have discussed these errors with Messrs. Branigan and Turner and have emphasized the necessity of their reviewing mail even more carefully in the future.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that this memorandum be forwarded to the Administrative Division so that letters of censure may be prepared for Messrs. Branigan and Turner.

WVC:bmm (5)

cc - Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Branigan
Mr. Cleveland

Ltrs to Branigan & Turner 11-7-55

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: 1-31-56

FROM : MR. WEASE

SUBJECT: W. A. BRANIGAN
CHIEF, ESPIONAGE SECTION
DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

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Yesterday I monitored a 25 minute lecture by Mr. Branigan before the current In-Service Class. He spoke on the responsibilities, objectives and planning in Espionage and Foreign Intelligence cases. He seemed to have an excellent command of the subject and presented his material in a sincere, straightforward, and interesting manner. He makes a very good appearance and I would rate him as a good, substantial lecturer.

GAN:AO
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cc: Branigan
Belmont

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. BELMONT

DATE: December 5, 1955

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FROM : W. A. BRANIGAN

SUBJECT: ISIDORE GIBBY NEEDLEMAN, was.
INTERNAL SECURITY - R;
INTERNAL SECURITY ACT OF 1950

Mr. Boardman has requested an explanation for the delay in handling an incoming teletype from the New York Office dated November 22, which necessitated the preparation of an outgoing communication disseminating the data received to the Deputy Attorney General and to Assistant Attorney General Tompkins. A copy of the incoming teletype was received in the Espionage Section November 23, 9:53 a. m. (the original of the teletype is presently not available but the Supervisor advised me that it was received subsequent to the receipt of the copy and this is normal procedure.)

Supervisor James P. Lee states he dictated during the late hours of the afternoon of November 23, to Stenographer [redacted] November 24 was Thanksgiving Day and a holiday. On November 25, Supervisor Lee checked with [redacted] and was advised by her that because she had been used on a special she could not start transcribing her notes until the afternoon of November 25. November 26 was Saturday, and November 27 was Sunday. The memorandum, which was 4 pages in length, had to be typed on two separate runs because of the number of copies involved, resulting in 8 pages of typing. The memorandum was completed and returned to the Supervisor during the late afternoon of November 28. Supervisor Lee advises that in reading the memo he detected typographical errors and, therefore, returned it to the stenographer on the morning of November 29, to have the corrections made. [redacted] was on sick leave that day and the memo was assigned to [redacted] a typist. She advises that she completed the corrections and returned to the Supervisor either in the late afternoon of November 29, or in the early morning of November 30. Supervisor Lee states that when he read the memo he noted other errors and he returned it on November 30, for further corrections and also requested certain pages to be retyped since there were obvious erasure marks on the memo. The available stenographers' records reflect that the memo was held in the steno pool since there was one page remaining to be retyped the early morning of December 1. The memo was returned to Supervisor Lee on December 1, and he again had to return it for further corrections. These corrections were made on the same day and the memo was dated December 2. Thereafter it appears the memo was redated for December 5 in your office.

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I think that the principal delay here appears to have been necessitated because of corrections that were needed to be made in the memo. Corrections were needed following the transcription by Stenographer [redacted] and twice following a retype of the memo by Typist [redacted] Personnel in this Section are aware of the need for handling mail in a prompt, correct manner. I have discussed this with [redacted] and Supervisor Lee.

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. BELMONT

RECOMMENDATION:

Under the circumstances, I feel that the failure here was a failure of the Section and I, therefore, recommend a letter of censure for myself as Section Chief.

12-5-55

I RECOMMEND CENSURE ALSO FOR [redacted] TYPIST [redacted] STENO AND SUPERVISOR LEE.

WAB:hmm

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ADDENDUM: (12-6-55 GAN:AO)

The basic delay in handling this matter results from stenographic and typing errors necessitating corrections and the retyping of several pages. Although the matter was not considered a special at the moment it was dictated on the evening of 11-23-55, it was not completed until 12-1-55 although a holiday and a week-end intervened. Censure is recommended only for Stenographer [redacted] *and Typist* [redacted] *who were responsible for the errors resulting in the retyping of several pages.*

PERMANENT BRIEFS OF PRANIGAN, LEE, [redacted] *ATTACHED*

Mr. Gearty 11/3/55

Mr. L. A. Francisco

IN-SERVICE CLASS #17
BUREAU INSTRUCTORS

On 10/27/55 prior to conducting a seminar on Case Supervision, I discussed with In-Service Class #17 the instruction it had had up until that time.

The class felt that instruction had been generally very good and singled out the following gentlemen for special mention:

Mr. J. F. Condon on "Communism and Intelligence - The Present World Problem,"

Mr. H. W. Philcox - seminar on "Liaison Problems,"

Mr. W. A. Branigan - seminar on "Responsibilities, Objectives and Planning in Espionage and Foreign Intelligence Cases,"

and

Mr. E. M. Gregg who had the class all day on 10/27/55. He took up numerous subjects, supervised by the Domestic Intelligence Division.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Information

2. A record be made of the good work by the above men.

LAF:mjs
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cc: Personnel file of Mr. Condon
Mr. Philcox
Mr. Branigan
Mr. Gregg

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DATE 10-31-2011

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. BELMONT

FROM : W. A. BRANIGAN

DATE: [illegible]

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SUBJECT: HUNGARIAN DIPLOMATIC ACTIVITIES IN THE UNITED STATES

With respect to the attached information concerning instructions received by the Hungarian Minister and his reply to the Hungarian Foreign Ministry concerning the manner in which the Hungarian Government would answer an official diplomatic protest by the U.S., the Director has inquired to know why this information was on plain white paper.

(S) [redacted]

At approximately 9:25 a.m. this morning, I received a phone call from the Washington Field Office. They advised that they had information which they thought would be of interest to the Bureau and since it involved the direct quotation of a cablegram received by the Hungarian Legation in Washington and one transmitted by them to Budapest, it was suggested that they be allowed to dictate the information to a stenographer in order to further insure the correctness of the quotations. Accordingly, arrangements were made for this. Following the completion of the dictation it was my opinion that the information should be immediately furnished to the State Department for their possible assistance. I was of the opinion that although the Hungarian Minister said he had taken action in delivering a note to the State Department, he had not actually done so since his cable to Budapest was dated 9:04 a.m., hence, if the information was going to be of assistance to State, it was desirable to get it over there by the most expeditious manner. Accordingly, I instructed the girl to type up the dictation on plain paper as quickly as possible so that it could be read to State Department and it would be accurate. This was done.

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I regret that I did not have the information typed on our regular office memorandum form. I will make every effort to avoid failures like this in the future.

ACTION: This is being submitted per the Director's request.

WAB:hmm
(3)
cc: Belmont
Branigan

Enclosure

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(S) [redacted]

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(S) [redacted]

1 ENCLOSURE

Personnel

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : A. H. Belmont

DATE: February 21, 1956

FROM : W. A. Branigan

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CLASSIFIED BY 60269 NLS/EPJcd
~~DECLASSIFY ON: 25X~~

SUBJECT: [redacted] was.
INTERNAL SECURITY - CUBA
(Bufile 100-404512)

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Branigan

Mr. Tolson has requested an explanation as to delay in handling this matter, pointing out that memo dated 2-14-56 did not reach his office until 2-20-56.

Problem involved here was occasioned by advice from Legat, Havana, that erroneous data had been set forth in prior report through Agent's inadvertence and that Legat was furnishing (S) [redacted] (S) Two basic questions were (1) whether administrative action warranted for Agent and (2) whether Legat acted properly (S) [redacted] (S)

Primarily delay in handling was occasioned by differing opinion on point 2 as to whether Legat acted improperly. Espionage Section felt spirit of rule regarding furnishing amended pages to outside agency complied with if Legat forwarded amended page to (S) [redacted] with cover letter explaining correction. Memo of 2-14-56 attached letter to Legat asking if this was done and if not, explanation requested. This memo was received in Division front office afternoon of 2-14-56 with outgoing attached dated 2-15-56. Memo received in Mr. Boardman's office morning of 2-15-56. Memo was returned by office of Mr. Boardman on 2-15-56 with comment that irrespective of whether explanatory letter sent with amended page (S) [redacted] Legat violated rule and explanation should be requested unconditionally. Memo and letter promptly revised, retyped and returned to Supervisor morning of 2-16-56 who approved it and sent it to me. I instructed change in wording of letter to Legat to omit administrative detail.

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Letter was retyped 2-17-56 and mail sent through same date, being received in your office 3:46 p.m. that day (Friday) with outgoing letters dated 2-20-56 in accord with dating procedures. It was received in Mr. Boardman's office at 9:13 a.m., 2-20-56 which was first delivery on Monday and was received in Mr. Tolson's office

RDC:dmd
(4) Tick Mr. Belmont
Mr. Branigan
Mr. Cotter

100-404512-Serial 4

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Memorandum for Mr. Belmont from Mr. Branigan

at 2:56 p.m. the same day. Intervening delays in routing undoubtedly due to volume of signature mail being processed.

ACTION:

This is for your information. The delay in handling of this mail is sincerely regretted.

HDC

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Standard Form 88
(Rev. Aug. 1950)
PROMULGATED BY
BUREAU OF THE BUDGET
CIRCULAR A-24

REPORT OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION

1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME	2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION	3. IDENTIFICATION NO.
BRANIGAN, WILLIAM [redacted]	Special Agent	
4. HOME ADDRESS (*Number, street or R.F.D., city or town, zone and State*)	**5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION**	**6. DATE OF EXAMINATION**
	Annual	3-13-56

7. SEX	8. RACE	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE: MILITARY	CIVILIAN	10. DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, OR SERVICE	11. ORGANIZATION UNIT
M	White				

12. DATE OF BIRTH	13. PLACE OF BIRTH	14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
3-23-16	New York	

15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS	16. OTHER INFORMATION
N.N.M.C.	

17. RATING OR SPECIALTY — TIME IN THIS CAPACITY: TOTAL — LAST SIX MONTHS

CLINICAL EVALUATION

NOTES.—Describe every abnormality in detail. (Enter pertinent item number before each comment; continue in item 73 and use additional sheets if necessary.)

NORMAL	ABNORMAL	(Check each item in appropriate column; enter "N. E." if not evaluated)
X		18. HEAD, FACE, NECK, AND SCALP
X		19. NOSE
X		20. SINUSES
X		21. MOUTH AND THROAT
X		22. EARS—GENERAL (*Int. & ext. canals*) (*Auditory acuity under items 70 and 71*)
X		23. DRUMS (*Perforation*)
X		24. EYES—GENERAL (*Visual acuity and refraction under items 59, 60, and 61*)
ne		25. OPHTHALMOSCOPIC
X		26. PUPILS (*Equality and reaction*)
X		27. OCULAR MOTILITY (*Associated parallel movements, nystagmus*)
X		28. LUNGS AND CHEST (*Include breasts*)
X		29. HEART (*Thrust, size, rhythm, sounds*)
X		30. VASCULAR SYSTEM (*Varicosities, etc.*)
X		31. ABDOMEN AND VISCERA (*Include hernia*)
X		32. ANUS AND RECTUM (*Hemorrhoids, fistulae*) (*Prostate if indicated*)
X		33. ENDOCRINE SYSTEM
X		34. G-U SYSTEM
X		35. UPPER EXTREMITIES (*Strength, range of motion*)
X		36. FEET
X		37. LOWER EXTREMITIES (*Except feet*) (*Strength, range of motion*)
X		38. SPINE, OTHER MUSCULOSKELETAL
		39. IDENTIFYING BODY MARKS, SCARS, TATTOOS
X		40. SKIN, LYMPHATICS
X		41. NEUROLOGIC (*Equilibrium tests under item 79*)
X		42. PSYCHIATRIC (*Specify any personality deviation*)
Females only		(*Check how done*)
		43. PELVIC ☐ VAGINAL ☐ RECTAL

ENCLOSURE (1)

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(Continue in item 73)

44. DENTAL (*Place appropriate symbols above or below number of upper and lower teeth, respectively*)

O.—*Restorable teeth* /.—*Nonrestorable teeth* X.—*Missing teeth* XXX.—*Replaced by dentures* (6 X 8).—*Fixed bridge, brackets to include abutments*

RIGHT	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17

LEFT

REMARKS AND ADDITIONAL DENTAL DEFECTS AND DISEASES

Caries MAR 21 1956
Periodontal disease
No missing teeth

LABORATORY FINDINGS

45. URINALYSIS: SP. GR. 1.018			46. CHEST X-RAY (*Place, date, film number, result*)	47. SEROLOGY (*Specify test used and result*)
ALBUMIN	SUGAR	MICROSCOPIC		
N	N	N	Neg 46516 c	Neg
48. EKG	49. BLOOD TYPE AND RH FACTOR		50. OTHER TESTS	
Within normal limits	O 89 MAR 22 1956			Approved

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MEASUREMENTS AND OTHER FINDINGS

51. HEIGHT	52. WEIGHT	53. COLOR HAIR	54. COLOR EYES	55. BUILD: SLENDER / MEDIUM / HEAVY / OBESE	56. TEMP.
71	190	Brown	Brown	☐ / ☒ / ☐ / ☐	

57. BLOOD PRESSURE (*Arm at heart level*)

SITTING	SYS. 126 / DIAS. 86	RECUMBENT	SYS. / DIAS.	STANDING (3 min.)	SYS. / DIAS.	**58. PULSE** (*Arm at heart level*)	

SITTING	AFTER EXERCISE	2 MIN. AFTER	RECUMBENT	AFTER STANDING 3 MIN.
88				

59. DISTANT VISION	60. REFRACTION	61. NEAR VISION
RIGHT 20/ 50 CORR. TO 20/ 20	BY Lenses S. CX	0.62M CORR. TO BY
LEFT 20/ 70 CORR. TO 20/ 20	BY Lenses S. CX	0.62M CORR. TO BY

62. HETEROPHORIA: (*Specify distance*) ES° EX° R. H. L. H. PRISM DIV. PRISM CONV. AC PD

63. ACCOMMODATION	64. COLOR VISION (*Test used and result*)	65. DEPTH PERCEPTION (*Test used and score*)	UNCORRECTED / CORRECTED
RIGHT LEFT	AOC 1940 18/18		

66. FIELD OF VISION	67. NIGHT VISION (*Test used and score*)	68. RED LENS	69. INTRAOCULAR TENSION

70. HEARING

RIGHT WV /15 SV /15
LEFT WV 15 /15 SV 15 /15

71. AUDIOMETER

	250 256	500 512	1000 1024	[illegible]	3000 2896	4000 4096	8000 8192	
RIGHT								
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72. PSYCHOLOGICAL AND PSYCHOMOTOR (*Tests used and score*)

73. NOTES (*Continued*) **AND SIGNIFICANT OR INTERVAL HISTORY**

(*Use additional sheets of plain paper if necessary*)

74. SUMMARY OF DEFECTS AND DIAGNOSES (*List diagnoses with item numbers*)

75. RECOMMENDATIONS—FURTHER SPECIALIST EXAMINATIONS INDICATED (*Specify*)

76. PHYSICAL PROFILE

P	U	L	H	E	S

77. EXAMINEE (*Check*)
☒ IS / ☐ IS NOT QUALIFIED FOR strenuous physical exertion and use of firearms.

PHYSICAL CATEGORY

78. IF NOT QUALIFIED, LIST DISQUALIFYING DEFECTS BY ITEM NUMBER

A	B	C	E

79. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN	SIGNATURE
G. R. JOHNSTON, CAPT, MC, USN	/s/ G. R. Johnston
80. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN	**SIGNATURE**
81. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF DENTIST OR PHYSICIAN (*Indicate which*)	**SIGNATURE**
	/s/ A. T. Smith
82. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF REVIEWING OFFICER OR APPROVING AUTHORITY	**SIGNATURE** / **NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS**

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ATTACHMENT TO STANDARD FORM 88
(Revised July 21, 1952)

Report of Medical Examination

FOR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE OF MEDICAL EXAMINER:

The following portions of the attached examination report form need not be completed:

2	67
3	68
11	69
14	71 (unless other examination indicates desirable)
17	
62	
65	72

Item 48, the electrocardiogram, is not required unless the examinee is over 35 years of age or unless other examination indicates such is desirable.

If the examinee is an applicant, the Chest X ray and blood type and Rh factor (Items 46 and 49) are not necessary unless the facilities for affording same are readily available to the examiner.

FOR ALL EXAMINEES, WHETHER CLERICAL OR SPECIAL AGENT APPLICANTS OR EMPLOYEES:

The medical examiner should answer the following question:

Examinee is (is or is not) qualified for strenuous physical exertion. (Designate which)

FOR ALL MALE EMPLOYEES OR APPLICANTS:

The medical examiner is requested to answer the following:

Does examinee have any defects restricting or prohibiting his participation in defensive tactics and dangerous assignments which might entail the practical use of firearms?

No

If answer is "yes" please specify.

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT ALL STATEMENTS IN ITEMS 59, 61, 64 AND 70 PERTAINING TO VISUAL ACUITY, COLOR VISION AND HEARING BE COMPLETED IN DETAIL.

G. R. Johnston
(Signature of Medical Examiner)

MAR 14 1956
(Date)

67-219505-190

Brannigan, W.A.

FD-253 (11-22-54)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of $10, payable to the Assistant Director, Administrative Division, FBI, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for a continuous period of two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Assistant Director of the Administrative Division of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Assistant Director of the Administrative Division, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $10,000. The liability of the fund shall not under any circumstances exceed the amount of monies in the fund at the time any liability shall occur. The following person is designated as my beneficiary for FBI Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name Lois HALLENBECK BRANIGAN Relationship WIFE Date 2-14-56

Address 2317 No. KENTUCKY ST., ARLINGTON, Va.

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing $1500 death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in the line of duty.

Name Lois HALLENBECK BRANIGAN Relationship WIFE Date 2-14-61

Address 2317 No. KENTUCKY ST, ARLINGTON, VA.

Very truly yours,

William A. Branigan

Special Agent

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

Name of Employee: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

Where Assigned: DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE (Division) ESPIONAGE SECTION (Section, Unit)

Payroll Title: SUPERVISORY SPECIAL AGENT (Section Chief) GS-15

Rating Period: from April 1, 1955 to March 31, 1956

ADJECTIVE RATING: SATISFACTORY (Outstanding, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory) Employee's Initials

	Signature	Title	Date
Rated by:		Inspector	4-12-56
Reviewed by:		Assistant Director	4-12-56
Rating approved by:		Assistant Director	APR 20 1956

TYPE OF REPORT

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(x) Official
(x) Annual
( ) Administrative
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( ) Special

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NARRATIVE COMMENTS

Note: The regulations require that OUTSTANDING ratings be supported by a statement in writing setting forth IN DETAIL the performance IN EVERY ASPECT and the REASONS for considering each worthy of SPECIAL COMMENDATION.
UNSATISFACTORY ratings must be supported by a statement in writing stating (1) WHEREIN the performance is unsatisfactory, (2) the facts of the (90 day) PRIOR WARNING, and (3) the efforts made AFTER THE WARNING TO HELP the employee bring his performance up to a satisfactory level.

PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD-185)

Name of Employee WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN Title Supervisory Special Agent (Section Chief)

Rating Period: from 4-1-55 to 3-31-56

RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST

Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared. Rate items as follows:

+ Outstanding (exceeding excellent and deserving special commendation).
✓ Satisfactory (ranging from good to excellent but not sufficient to rate outstanding).
− Unsatisfactory.
O No opportunity to appraise performance during rating period.

Guide for determining adjective rating:

An 'Outstanding' rating cannot be justified unless all elements rated are 'plus', and in addition, of course, supporting comments must comply with the requirements as set out on the reverse of form FD-185.

So far as Satisfactory' and 'Unsatisfactory' ratings are concerned, it is impossible to provide a mechanical formula for computing the various 'plus', 'check', and 'minus' marks because such would presume equal weight for all elements rated. Good judgment must be exercised to insure that the adjective rating is reasonable in the light of the elements rated. All minus marks must be supported by narrative detail, and of course, all 'Unsatisfactory' ratings must comply with the requirements as set out on the reverse of form FD-185.

+ (1) Personal appearance.
+ (2) Personality and effectiveness of his personal contacts.
+ (3) Attitude (including dependability, cooperativeness, loyalty, enthusiasm, amenability and willingness to equitably share work load).
+ (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina).
+ (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity.
+ (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required.
+ (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions; ability to define objectives.
+ (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility.
✓ (9) Planning ability and its application to the work.
+ (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail.
+ (11) Industry, including energetic consistent application to duties.
+ (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control.
+ (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and 'know how' of application.
O (14) Technical or mechanical skills.
+ (15) Investigative ability and results:
  ___ (a) Internal security cases
  ___ (b) Criminal or general investigative cases
  ___ (c) Fugitive cases
  ___ (d) Applicant cases
  ___ (e) Accounting cases
O (16) Physical surveillance ability.
✓ (17) Firearms ability.
O (18) Development of informants and sources of information.
+ (19) Reporting ability:
  ___ (a) Investigative reports
  ___ (b) Summary reports
  + (c) Memos, letters, wires
  (Consider: ___ conciseness; ___ clarity; ___ organization; ___ thoroughness; ___ accuracy; ___ adequacy and pertinency of leads; ___ administrative detail.)
O (20) Performance as a witness.
✓ (21) Executive ability:
  + (a) Leadership
  + (b) Ability to handle personnel
  ✓ (c) Planning
  ✓ (d) Making decisions
  + (e) Assignment of work
  + (f) Training subordinates
  + (g) Devising procedures
  + (h) Emotional stability
  + (i) Promoting high morale
  ___ (j) Getting results
✓ (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments:
  ✓ (a) As leader
  ___ (b) As participant
+ (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement.
+ (24) Ability to work under pressure.
+ (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate:
  + Dictation ability
  + Automobile driving ability
  + capable for additional responsibility

A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.): Section Chief

B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker): Administrator

C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? yes (If answer is not 'yes', explain in narrative comments.)
(2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? yes (If answer is not 'yes', explain in narrative comments.)

D. Has employee had any abnormal sick leave record during rating period? no (If so, explain in narrative comments.)

ADJECTIVE RATING: SATISFACTORY E.G.K.

Outstanding, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

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PART I GENERAL COMMENTS

WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

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Mr. Branigan is Chief of the Espionage Section in the Domestic Intelligence Division. Under his over-all supervision is handled the supervision of espionage investigations, foreign intelligence matters, Atomic Energy Act matters in addition to such important Bureau programs such as the intensified coverage (U) of Soviet bloc officials in the United States. Many of these matters are most complicated requiring careful control, supervision, and imagination. Branigan has done an excellent job. He inspires enthusiasm in the supervisors. He sets a personal example of hard work, application, loyalty to duty, and has the facility for getting the job done. He presents an exeellent personal appearance.

Mr. Branigan received a letter of commendation dated June 22, 1955, in connection with the effective manner in which he carried out his responsibilities with regard to "Operation Alert." He received a letter of commendation on June 29, 1955, in connection with his over-all supervision at the Seat of Government of a delicate operation pertaining to the internal security of the nation "deserving of special recognition and praise."

Mr. Nease, on January 31, 1956, noted that he had monitored a lecture by Branigan on responsibilities, objectives, planning in espionage and foreign intelligence cases. Nease stated that he, Branigan, had an excellent command of the subject, presented his material in a sincere, straightforward and interesting manner, made a very good appearance. Mr. Nease rated him as a good substantial lecturer.

In connection with the annual inspection of the Domestic Intelligence Division, Assistant Director Tamm commented that Branigan has a thorough knowledge of Bureau activities in the espionage field as well as sound judgment, displays imagination in planning his programs, is sincere, conscientious, and loyal.

Mr. Branigan is available for any assignment wherever his services are needed by the Bureau.

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PART II SPECIFIC COMMENTS

March 31, 1956

1. **Justification for any Minus Ratings Given**

Not applicable

2. **Experience and Ability as Inspector's Aide**

Mr. Branigan has had no experience as an Inspectors' Aide. In his capacity as Section Chief he has definitely demonstrated ability in that field since much of his responsibilities involve inspection-type functions within his section.

3. **Participation in Informant Programs** -- *Mr. Branigan has had over-all responsibility for the planning of programs and supervision of individual informant matters in espionage and intelligence cases. He has a sound knowledge of such programs.*

4. **Testifying Experience and Ability**

No testimony during rating period.

5. **Disciplinary Action**

During this rating period Mr. Branigan received four letters of censure, three of which resulted from his over-all responsibility as Chief of the Espionage Section and involved individual failures on the part of Supervisors. One dated November 7, 1955, was for failing on a number of occasions during the period from May 10, 1955, through October 28, 1955, to detect nonsubstantive errors which appeared in communications approved by him.

6. **Accounting Information**

Not applicable

7. **Police Instruction**

Not applicable

8. **Sound Training**

Not applicable

9. **Potentiality for and Interest in Administrative Advancement**

Branigan has demonstrated definite ability as an administrator. He is interested in advancement. He has a thorough knowledge of Bureau policies and procedures. He is able to distinguish those borderline areas of Bureau jurisdiction and responsibility, accept those matters which should be handled by the Bureau and fix responsibility regarding matters which should be handled by other agencies. He presents an excellent appearance and meets the public well.

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April 18, 1956

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Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Branigan:

I note that you have done a truly excellent job in supervising at the Seat of Government a program involving the contact of highly confidential sources of information pertaining to internal security matters.

The many difficulties involved in such sensitive operations and the thorough planning they require make the results which have been accomplished particularly notable. You are entitled to considerable pride in your material contributions to the success which has been realized.

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Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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cc - Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)
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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPE[redacted]
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

5-4-56

I certify that I have received the following Government property for official use:
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The Government property which you hereby acknowledge is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care of it and returning it when its use has been completed. DO NOT MARK OR WRITE ON IT OR MULTILATE IT IN ANY WAY.

Very truly yours,
William A. Branigan
William A. Branigan, SA

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TO: Mr. Mohr

DATE: 4/9/56

FROM: H. L. Edwards

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(S) SUBJECT: [redacted] - AUSTRIA
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William A. Branigan

INCENTIVE AWARD AND COMMENDATION MATTER

Purpose of this memorandum is to consider recommendations set out in memo from Mr. Belmont to Mr. Boardman 4/2/56 for reallocation, incentive awards and commendation for personnel in the Washington Field Office (WFO) and at SOG who participated in the anonymous source contact on 3/22/56 which resulted in the successful penetration of the Austrian Chancery from a cryptographic standpoint.

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(S) [redacted] Survey indicated Austrian Chancery was unoccupied for several hours at night. On 3/22/56 after several weeks of planning and preparation five agents from WFO and one from the Laboratory successfully entered the Chancery and in slightly over two hours removed from the premises material found in two safes and elsewhere in the office, made about 2600 photographs of the material and returned it to the premises.

(S) [redacted] Referral/Consult

By memo 3/28/56 SAC, WFO, recommended incentive awards for the following agents in his office and Domestic Intelligence Division (DID) concurred.

Robert E. Lenihan be considered for reallocation to GS-13 or if not possible to reallocate, $300 award; [redacted], $300 award (by separate memo 4/2/56, SAC, WFO, recommended [redacted] be reallocated to GS-12); John C. Gordon, $300 award; Marvin C. Evans, $300 award (by separate memo 4/2/56 SAC, WFO, recommended Evans be reallocated to GS-12); John G. Goedtel, $300 award (by separate memo 4/2/56, SAC, WFO, recommended Goedtel be reallocated to GS-12). Case assigned to SA Lenihan who was assisted by SAs [redacted] Evans, Goedtel and Gordon, worked on planning and setting up contact for several weeks prior to actual contact. All were in contact with the anonymous source on 3/22/56 participating in the searching of the premises and

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removing pertinent material. SAC, WFO, recommended $200 award for SA [redacted] Laboratory Division, who was in contact with anonymous source on 3/22/56 and rendered most valuable service in connection with opering of a safe. Mr. Parsons was of opinion SA Joseph M. English, Laboratory Division, as well as SA [redacted] should be granted awards in amounts equal to those granted WFO Agents participating in this operation. DID concurred and recommended $300 awards for SAs [redacted] and English. SA English was not in contact with anonymous source but rendered valuable service in obtaining access to numerous sealed envelopes (U) taken from Austrian Chancery. SA English performed his most essential work under very trying circumstances since time was of the essence.

SA Lenihan eod 3/31/47, presently GS-12, $8215. SA Goedtel eod as SA 7/2/51, presently GS-11, $6605. SA [redacted] GS-11, $6820 (uniform promotion $/8/56). SA Evans eod 11/27/50. GS-11, $6605. SA Gordon eod 7/21/47, GS-12, $8215. SA [redacted] presently GS-14, $10,535. SA English eod as SA 6/14/43, presently GS-14, $10,535. SA Lenihan censured, placed on probation and ordered under transfer 9/8/51 for injudiciously displaying his blackjack and apparently exposing his holstered revolver in public view of the janitor and his wife at agent's residence. Transfer subsequently cancelled. Removed from probation 2/26/52. SA Lenihan also censured 2/14/54 for loss of several Government Transportation Requests. Commended 2/7/56 for development and handling of informant and on 3/1/56 granted cash award of $400 for outstanding (S) performance in development and contacting of anonymous source in regard to [redacted] Ceylon operation. SA Lenihan spearheaded the Ceylon as well as the Austrian operation and success of both operations due primarily to his exceptional investigative talent, ingenuity and tenacity. Services of SA [redacted] SA Goedtel and SA Evans satisfactory and no administrative action taken against them. SA [redacted] commended twice, SA Goedtel once and SA Evans four times. During the past year no administrative action taken (S) against SAs Gordon, [redacted] and English. SA Gordon granted $300 cash award for [redacted] Ceylon operation. SA [redacted] commended four times and granted two cash awards, one of $150 for a highly confidential operation in New York and one for $300 for development and utilization of special investigative technique and SA English commended four times.

Letters of commendation recommended for SAs [redacted] Beverly E. Ponder, Albert H. Solomon, Jr., all WFO, and SAs L. L. Shaneyfelt and P. A. Napier, both Laboratory Division, all of whom participated in the photographing of the (U) material obtained from the Austrian Chancery. They were not in contact with anonymous source. Letters of commendation also

recommended for SAs [redacted] Roy Jepsen and [redacted] who handled surveillances and afforded outside security during operation. DID recommended letter of commendation for SAC Laughlin, WFO, for personal over-all supervision and guidance of this operation as well as the [redacted] Ceylon operation in February, 1956. DID also recommended commendation for SOG Supervisor Homer W. Schweppe and Section Chief William A. Branigan for their careful supervision of this and other phases of the [redacted] at SOG. (S) (S) (S)

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SAs Lenihan, [redacted] Gordon, Evans, Goedtel, [redacted] and English have met standard of Incentive Awards Program dealing with performance which has involved the overcoming of unusual difficulties. Based on tables set out in Bureau's Incentive Awards Program for determining amounts of awards their performance considered of moderate value to Bureau's work and involved substantial personal danger or rish to the agents entitling them to an award of from $150 to $300.

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RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION:

1. SA Lenihan would normally be considered for reallocation to GS-13 on 3/31/57 when he will have completed 10 years' service as an agent. The letter of censure and probation and the letter of censure in 1954 have been considered; however, in view of his outstanding performance in connection with the [redacted] Austrian as well as [redacted] Ceylon operations and as his over-all record appears to be above average, it is recommended thathe be reallocated to Grade GS13 now and that he be advised that this promotion was granted to him for his work in [redacted] Austrian operation. (S) (S) (S)

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Recommend reallocation to G. S. 12 now JPM 4/12 Ok Tolson
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3. SA Goedtel would normally be considered for reallocation to Grade GS-12 on 7/19/56 when he will have

(S) completed three years in Grade GS-11. In view of his outstanding work in connection with the [redacted] Austrian operation and as his over-all record appears to be considerably above average, it is recommended that he be reallocated to Grade GS-12 now and that he be informed that this promotion was granted to him for his work in the [redacted] Austrian operation. (S) (S)

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4. SA Evans would normally be considered for reallocation to Grade-12 on 5/10/56 when he will have completed three years in Grade GS-11. In view of his well above-average record as indicated by the four letters of commendation he received and his excellent participation in the [redacted] Austrian matter it is recommended he be reallocated to Grade GS-12 at this time and that he be advised that this promotion was granted to him for his work in the [redacted] Austrian operation. (S) (S)

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5. That SA Gordon be granted a cash award in the amcunt of $300.

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6. That SAs [redacted] and English of the Laboratory each be granted a cash award in the amount of $200. SA [redacted] was in contact with the anonymous source; however, it is not felt he should receive the same amount as the agents from WFO since he did not participate in the planning and preparation prior to the actual contact. Although SA English was not in contact with the anonymous source he performed a most vital function under extreme time limitations.

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7. That SAs [redacted] Ponder, and Solomon, all WFO, and SA's Shaneyfelt and Napier, Laboratory Division, be commended for their work in connection with the photographing of the material obtained. (U)

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8. That SA's [redacted] and Wood, all WFO, be commended for their work in connection with the surveillances and security of the operation. b6

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9. That SAC Laughlin, WFO, be commended for his over-all supervision and guidance which contributed to outstanding success of this operation as well as the [redacted] Ceylon operation. (S) (X)

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10. That Section Chief William A. Branigan and SOG Supervisor Homer W. Schweppe be commended for their careful supervision of this and other phases of the [redacted] (S) (X)

Done 4/18/56 I agree JPM 4/12 HLEdwards Tolson I agree gan

PERMANENT BRIEFS OF THE PERSONNEL FILES OF SAS [redacted] LENIHAN, GORDON, EVANS, GOEDTEL, [redacted] AND ENGLISH ARE ATTACHED. b6

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TO: L. V. Boardman

DATE: 4-2-56

FROM: A. H. Belmont

cc - Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Schweppe

(S) SUBJECT: [redacted] AUSTRIA (S)
(U) ESPIONAGE - AUSTRIA

W. A. Branigan

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(S) [redacted]

WFO was successful in penetrating Austrian Chancery on 3-22-56 and obtained what appeared to constitute complete cryptographic systems presently in use by Austrians in Washington. [redacted]

Referral/Consult

(S) [redacted]

WFO letter 3-28-56 recommended cash incentive awards or letters of commendation for personnel contributing to outstanding success of this investigation. In case of SA Robert E. Lenihan, WFO recommended he be considered for reallocation from grade 12 to grade 13 in view of his recent outstanding performance, in lieu of any incentive award.

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Outstanding success of this investigation was due primarily to exceptional investigative efforts of the following who were recommended for incentive awards in amounts indicated: Robert E. Lenihan, who exercised exceptional investigative ingenuity and bold and imaginative planning in (U) the supervision and successful culmination of this case. He was present during the actual searching inside Austrian premises. $300. He was capably and ably assisted in the (U) planning and search inside Austrian premises by SAs [redacted] $300 award; by Marvin C. Evans, $300 award; by John G. Goedtel, $300 award; by John C. Gordon, $300 award, all of WFO; and by [redacted] of the Laboratory, $200. [redacted] rendered a most valuable service in connection with a safe in Austrian premises.

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b6 Letters of commendation were recommended for SAs [redacted] Beverly E. Ponder and Albert H. Solomon, Jr., all of WFO and SA L. L. Shaneyfelt of the Laboratory, all of whom performed outside the Austrian premises photographic work (about 2,600 photographs) [redacted]

(S) [redacted] Letter of commendation was Memo to Mohr NEM/bak 4-9-56

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recommended for SA Joseph M. English of Laboratory for most valuable services in obtaining access to numerous sealed envelopes outside the Austrian premises. (X) Letters of commendation also recommended for SAs [redacted] Roy Jepsen and Charles L. Wood, who afforded outside security to above agents during phase of investigation under consideration. (U) b6

Assistant Director Parsons of opinions SAs [redacted] and English of Laboratory, in view of their most valuable services, without which this investigation could not have succeeded, by granted incentive awards in amounts equal to those awards granted the WFO agents participating on inside of Austrian premises. (X) Assistant Director Parsons also of opinion letters of commendation should be directed to SAs Shaneyfelt and P. A. Napier of Laboratory, who participated in evaluation and photographing of material outside Austrian premises. (X) (U) b6

Recommendation for Incentive Award forms submitted by WFO are attached. Handled sep.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Survey indicated Austrian Chancery was unoccupied for several hours at night on frequent occasions and contained two safes. On night of 3-22-56 WFO and Laboratory agents made successful entroy of Chancery premises. In a matter of slightly over two hours about 2600 photographs of pertinent material were made and nine sealed envelopes were opened and resealed. [redacted] Referral/Consult

(S) [redacted] it is recommendation of the Domestic Intelligence Division that awards in the amount of $300 be made to the following personnel for their efforst in this outstanding contribution to the internal security and to the communications intelligence efforts of the United States:

SA John C. Gordon (Gordon together with [redacted], Evans, Goedtel and [redacted] assisted inside Austrian premises. (X) Gordon was recipient of $300 incentive award in [redacted] Ceylon (S) investigation in 2-2-56.) (U) (S) b1

SA [redacted]
SA Marvin C. Evans
SA John G. Goedtel
SA [redacted]
SA Joseph M. English b6

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2. In view of their outstanding contributions to the success of this operation, it is recommendation of the Domestic Intelligence Division that letters of commendation be directed to the following personnel:

SA Ludwig W. R. Oberndorf
SA Beverly E. Ponder
SA Albert H. Solomon, Jr.
SA L . L. Shaneyfelt
SA P. A. Napier

3. In view of the very valuable services rendered by their affording security to those agents who had the responsiblity for developing the highly confidential source in this case, it is the recommendation of the Domestic Intelligence Division that letters of commendation be directed to the following individuals:

SA [redacted] b6
SA [redacted]
SA Roy Jepsen
SA Charles L. Wood

4. In view of SAC Laughlin's personal over-all (S) supervision and quidance which contributed to the outstanding success of this investigation as well as the investigation in the case captioned [redacted] Ceylon Espionage - Ceylon" in 2-56 [redacted] Referral/Consult (S) [redacted] it is recommendation of the Domestic Intelligence Division that a letter of commendation be directed to SAC Leo Laughlin of WFO for his contribution (S) to the success of this and the [redacted] Ceylon investigation. (S)

5. WFO letter 3-28-56 recommended that consideration be given to the reallocation of SA Robert E. Lenihan from grade 12 to grade 13 in lieu of any incentive award at this time. Linihan supervised this case and took (U) part in searching inside the Austrian premises. He was recipient of $400 incentive award in the [redacted] Ceylon (S) case in 2-56. In view of his recent outstanding contributions to the internal security and the communications intelligence efforts of the US, it is the recommendation of the Domestic Intelligence Division that in lieu of incentive award at this time consideration be given to Lenihan's reallocation from grade 12 to grade 13. In the event Lenihan's reallocation is not acted on favorably, it is recommended that he receive a $300 incentive award for his efforts which led to the successful culmination of this case. b1

ADDENDUM: (CEH:jdd) I recommend letters of commendation also be directed to Section Chif Branigan and Supervisor

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(S) Homer Schweppe in connection with their careful supervision of this and other phases of the [redacted] which has resulted in information of unusual value being developed by the Bureau.

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MR. W. A. BRANIGAN April 6, 1956

W. R. Wannall

INTENSIFICATION PROGRAM (INPRO)

This memorandum is submitted for the purpose of recording the identities of Bureau officials and supervisors who participated in the conference held at the Seat of Government March 26, 1956, in connection with our Intensification Program. The conference was conducted by Inspector C. E. Hennrich of the Domestic Intelligence Division and the following Seat of Government personnel participated:

Domestic Intelligence Division

A. H. Belmont, Assistant Director
W. A. Branigan, Chief, Espionage Section
O. A. Exell, Supervisor, Espionage Section
E. M. Gregg, Supervisor, Espionage Section
J. L. Kisslah, Supervisor, Espionage Section
J. J. Meehan, Supervisor, Espionage Section
E. H. Stewart, Supervisor, Espionage Section
E. T. Turner, Supervisor, Espionage Section
[redacted] Supervisor, Espionage Section
W. R. Wannall, Supervisor, Espionage Section

FBI Laboratory

D. J. Parsons, Assistant Director
I. W. Conrad, Number One Man
R. L. Millen, Chief, Electronics Section

Training and Inspection Division

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[redacted] Supervisor, Training Section

ACTION: A copy of this memorandum is attached for each of the personnel files of the above-listed officials and supervisors.

cc-Mr. Belmont
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Mason
Mr. Wannall
cc - Personnel file of Alan H. Belmont
Personnel file of Carl E. Hennrich
Personnel file of William A. Branigan
Personnel file of Otho A. Exell
Personnel file of Emery M. Gregg
Personnel file of Joseph L. Kisslah
Personnel file of J. J. Meehan
Personnel file of E. H. Stewart
Personnel file of E. T. Turner
Personnel file of [redacted]
Personnel file of W. Raymond Wannall
Personnel file of D.J. Parsons
Personnel file of I.W. Conrad
Personnel file of R.L. Millen
Personnel file of [redacted]

WRW:jmr (20)

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July 14, 1956

PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Branigan:

May I extend to you my sincere congratulations on your Fifteenth Anniversary with the FBI. You may well take pride in your achievements and devotion to duty, for it is just such loyal service as you have manifested that makes possible the accomplishments of the Bureau. I do hope that you will remain with the Bureau for many years to come.

Sincerely,

J. Edgar Hoover

JEH:tlc

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SENT FROM D. O.
TIME 9:00 AM
DATE 7-16-56
BY MRW

FD-289 (3-28-56)

PAST SAFE DRIVING RECORD CERTIFICATION

TO BE FILLED IN BY OPERATOR

NAME OF OPERATOR (PRINT - LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL): Branigan, William A.

DATE: 6/7/56

DIVISION AND SECTION ASSIGNED: Domestic Intelligence Division, Espionage Section

POSITION TITLE: Section Chief

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT I PRESENTLY [XX] HOLD [ ] DO NOT HOLD A VALID MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR'S PERMIT OR DRIVER'S LICENSE.

PERMIT ISSUED BY: (STATE, TERRITORY POSSESSION, DISTRICT)	PERMIT NUMBER	PERMIT EXPIRES
Commonwealth of Virginia	7C422854	3/31/57

THIS IS AN [XXXXXXXX] (RESTRICTED) PERMIT. (IF RESTRICTED, EXPLAIN BELOW)
(STRIKE OUT ONE)

Not good as a chauffeur.

THIS FURTHER CERTIFIES THAT DURING THE PAST THREE YEARS I HAVE DRIVEN A MOTOR VEHICLE (GOVERNMENT OR PERSONALLY OWNED) APPROXIMATELY 30,000 MILES. DURING THIS TIME (A) I [ ] HAVE [XX] HAVE NOT RECEIVED A TRAFFIC VIOLATION TICKET; (B) I [ ] HAVE [XX] HAVE NOT BEEN HELD AT FAULT* AS THE DRIVER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE INVOLVED IN A TRAFFIC ACCIDENT. IF AFFIRMATIVE ANSWER, PLEASE EXPLAIN IN ADJACENT SPACE GIVING NUMBER AND DATES OF OFFENSES.

* "AT FAULT" MEANS ANY CASE IN WHICH RESPONSIBILITY IS CONCEDED BY EMPLOYEE OR HIS INSURANCE COMPANY OR LIABILITY IS FIXED BY DULY CONSTITUTED AUTHORITY.

William A. Branigan
SIGNATURE OF OPERATOR

TO BE FILLED IN BY REVIEWING OFFICIAL

NAME OF REVIEWING OFFICIAL (PRINT - LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL)	POSITION TITLE	DATE
DONAHOE, STERLING B.	SPECIAL AGENT	6-8-56

THE PERSONNEL FILE OF THIS EMPLOYEE HAS BEEN REVIEWED AND REFLECTS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS DURING THE PAST THREE YEARS:

[✓] CONTINUOUS SAFE DRIVING RECORD

[ ] INVOLVED IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENT AND FOUND AT FAULT **

I CERTIFY THAT THIS EMPLOYEE IS:

[✓] QUALIFIED ON THE BASIS OF HIS SAFE DRIVING RECORD TO OPERATE MOTOR VEHICLES ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

[ ] NOT QUALIFIED AND MUST DEMONSTRATE HIS QUALIFICATIONS BY SATISFACTORILY PASSING A ROAD TEST EXAMINATION BEFORE OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

REMARKS:

** "AT FAULT" MEANS ANY CASE IN WHICH THE BUREAU HAS TAKEN DISCIPLINARY ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION AGAINST THE EMPLOYEE.

Sterling B. Donahoe
(SIGNATURE OF REVIEWING OFFICIAL)

Standard Form 47
(December 1955)
U. S. Civil Service Commission
Chapter M-2, F. P. M.

PHYSICAL FITNESS INQUIRY FOR MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATORS

1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME	2. DATE OF BIRTH	3. TITLE OF POSITION
Branigan, William A.	3/23/16	Section Chief

4. HOME ADDRESS (*Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State*)	5. EMPLOYING AGENCY
2317 North Kentucky Street Arlington, Virginia	FBI

6. HAVE YOU EVER HAD OR HAVE YOU NOW (*Place check at left of each item*)

YES	NO		YES	NO	
✓		Poor vision in one or both eyes		✓	Arthritis, rheumatism, swollen or painful joints
	✓	Eye disease		✓	Loss of hand, arm, foot, or leg
	✓	Poor hearing in one or both ears		✓	Deformity of hand, arm, foot, or leg
	✓	Diabetes		✓	Nervous or mental trouble of any kind
	✓	Palpitation, chest pain or shortness of breath		✓	Blackouts or epilepsy
	✓	Dizziness or fainting spells		✓	Sugar or albumin in urine
	✓	Frequent or severe headaches		✓	Excessive drinking habit (ALCOHOL)
	✓	High or low blood pressure		✓	Other serious defects or diseases
	✓	Drug or narcotic habit			

7. IF YOUR ANSWER IS "YES" TO ONE OR MORE OF THE ABOVE QUESTIONS, EXPLAIN FULLY IN THIS SPACE:

I have defective vision in both eyes, correctable 20/20 by the use of glasses.

8. (A) DO YOU WEAR GLASSES? ☒ YES ☐ NO (B) DO YOU WEAR CONTACT LENSES? ☐ YES ☒ NO

(C) DO YOU WEAR A HEARING AID? ☐ YES ☒ NO

I certify that my answers above are full and true, and I understand that a false statement or dishonest answer to any question may be grounds for cancellation of my eligibility or my dismissal from the service and is punishable by law.

SIGNATURE	DATE
William A. Branigan	6-7-56

REVIEW AND CERTIFICATION BY DESIGNATED OFFICIAL

I certify that I have reviewed this physical fitness inquiry form and other available information regarding the physical condition of the applicant, and that I have made the following determination:

☑ There is no information on this form or otherwise available to indicate that the applicant should be referred for physical examination.

☐ On the basis of items checked on this form or other information, this applicant must be referred for physical examination before he is authorized to operate a Government-owned motor vehicle or his current authorization is renewed.

☐ Items checked on this form or otherwise available do not warrant referral for medical examination because of the following facts:

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1 JUN 26 1956

SIGNATURE OF DESIGNATED OFFICIAL	DATE
Stevens B. London	June 8, 1956

☆ U. S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE : 1956—O-371081

Director, FBI (1-6830) May 16, 1956

SAC, Seattle (1-00-163)

SPCIALIZED TRAINING IN
CHINESE SECURITY MATTERS

1-6830-7

I wish to comment on the very favorable impressions I have received from the agents who attended the Specialized Training in Chinese Security Matters held at San Francisco on May 10 and 11, 1956.

My agents have informed me that the school was conducted in a very desirable manner by competent personnel, as all agents were engrossed in the problems discussed and took an active part in freely discussing their experiences and problems. This free exchange under the able direction of Mr. WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN resulted in a wealth of experience being shared by all the agents in attendance.

They have indicated that the presentation of the problems from the viewpoint of Chinese history, customs, language, and manner of thinking was especially enlightening and will undoubtedly open the avenue for new ideas and new approaches to Chinese security problems.

In addition to projection of new ideas of method, the instruction developed the need for alertness in recognizing Communist Chinese espionage potential as well as keeping current with disloyal activities.

The information imparted to me would indicate that this school, very ably conducted by W. A. BRANIGAN, [redacted] A. J. NORSTROM and [redacted] dealt with problems of current interest which problems will continue to grow in importance as Communist China emerges into the circle of other nations. For this reason, I strongly urge that we continue to have specialized training on a continuing periodic basis, as it is apparent that in no other investigative field of our responsibilities is it more important to work with the latest and best techniques which we can collectively evolve.

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5-Bureau - (AIRMAIL)
1-Seattle
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(6)

July 26, 1956

Personal and ~~Confidential~~

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

DECLASSIFIED BY 60267 NLS/tp/cd
ON 11-14-11

Dear Mr. Branigan:

You are indeed to be commended for the devotion to duty and enthusiasm which characterized your services during the recent Operation Alert.

The high calibre of your performance was most gratifying, and I certainly want you to know of my appreciation for a job well done.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

CC: Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)

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Based on memo Belmont to Mohr 7-26-56 AHB:ll

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TO : MR. J.P. MOHR July 26, 1956.

FROM : MR. A.H. BELMONT

SUBJECT : OPERATION ALERT, 1956
(Commendation Matter)

In connection with Operation Alert, 1956, in addition to the clerks set forth in Attachment C to my memorandum to the Director dated July 24, 1956, I recommend that the following Agent personnel be commended, in view of their wholehearted participation in and valuable services rendered during the alert and in many cases prior thereto:

J. P. Mohr
J. J. McGuire
O. G. Medler
F. J. Baumgardner
P. R. Bibler
J. H. Heinkauf
W. A. Branigan
E. T. Turner
W. R. Wannall
L. Whitson
J. F. Bland
P. L. Cox
T. D. Rushing
R. R. Roach
J. Wright Brown
J. G. Landis
D. J. Parsons
C. F. Downing
J. M. Matter
J. F. Gallagher
G. L. Davy
R. L. Millen
J. E. McArdle

I have included Mr. McArdle's name even though he was censured in connection with an incident which happened prior to the start of the exercise. During the exercise, he carried a heavy burden, applied himself assiduously, gave attention to detail, and in every way assisted in bringing about a successful handling of a difficult problem. Therefore, I think he should be commended for his part in the exercise at Quantico.

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The Liaison Supervisors performed an important function both before and during Operation Alert, 1956. They

AHB:LL

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Memorandum to Mr. Mohr from Mr. Belmont 7/26/56

are listed below:

J. J. Daunt
[redacted]
M. W. Kuhrtz
S. J. Papich
B. A. Wells
W. T. Whaley
O. H. Bartlett
D. J. Sullivan

RE: OPERATION ALERT, 1956
(Commendation Matter)

The Agents who served on security at the relocation site, under SAC Sloan, were:

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C. P. Bell
[redacted]
R. W. Evans
[redacted]
H. K. Light
[redacted]
G. A. Zeiss III

Letters to above
listed agents.
7/26/56.
LH

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. BELMONT

DATE: February 14, 1957

FROM : S. B. DONAHOE

SUBJECT: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
SECTION CHIEF
ESPIONAGE SECTION
PERSONNEL MATTER

Tolson
Nichols
Boardman
Belmont
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Parsons
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Mr. Branigan has been on sick leave since Tuesday, February 12, 1957. I talked with him yesterday at which time he indicated he apparently had the flu and was feeling very weak and dizzy. He had not then consulted a doctor since he felt he was recovering.

I talked with Mr. Branigan today and he indicated that he had not recovered as anticipated. He was actually feeling worse today than he was yesterday and accordingly he has called his doctor to examine him. We will closely follow the condition of Mr. Branigan.

ACTION:

For information.

Will probably return 2-18-57. No letter necessary per Mr Donahoe 2-15-57.

SBD:hmm
(4)
cc: Belmont
Branigan
Health Service

219505-1961

1 FEB 25 1957

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FD-277 (11-18-55)
STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: February 18, 1957

FROM : ~~XXX~~ A. H. Belmont

ATTENTION: PERSONNEL SECTION

SUBJECT: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN, JR.
ESPIONAGE SECTION

Wood
Rhea
Brannon
Belmont
Kennedy

- [XX] Remy memo 2/14/57
- [ ] Rebulet _____.
- [ ] Re physical examination _____.
- [ ] Weight without clothing now is _____.
- [ ] Dental work was completed on _____.
- [ ] Vision has been corrected to _____.
- [ ] Chest X-ray results were negative.
- [ ] Personal physician advised he is qualified for strenuous physical exertion and the use of firearms.
- [ ] Attached are Bureau of Employees' Compensation forms _____.
- [ ] Physical examination reports are enclosed.
- [ ] Employee is scheduled for physical examination on _____.
- [ ] Employee has reviewed and initialed his physical examination report.
- [XX] Employee returned to active duty 2/18/57.
- [XX] Employee's physical condition is Good.

- [ ] Additional remarks relative to items listed above:

SBD:hmm

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S. GOVERNMENT PRINTING OFFICE: 1952-968495

1. Agency and organizational designations	2. Pay roll period	3. Block No.	4. Slip No.
F.B.I., U. S. Dept. of Justice			17485

5. Employee's name (and social security account number when appropriate)	6. Grade and salary
MR. WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN Supv. SA 07804	GS 15 $12,150

PAY ROLL CHANGE DATA

	BASE PAY	OVERTIME		GROSS PAY	RET.	TAX	BOND	F.I.C.A.			NET PAY
7. Previous normal											
8. New normal											
9. Pay this period											

10. Remarks:

11. Appropriation (s) 41

12. Prepared by

13. Audited by

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☒ Periodic step-increase ☐ Pay adjustment ☐ Other step-increase

14. Effective date	15. Date last equivalent increase	16. Old salary rate	17. New salary rate	18. Performance rating is satisfactory or better.
2-26-57	8-28-55	$11,880	$12,150	(Signature or other authentication)

19. LWOP data (Fill in appropriate spaces covering LWOP during following periods):
Period(s):
☒ No excess LWOP. Total excess LWOP
41 JAN 30 1957
(Check applicable box in case of excess LWOP)
☐ In pay status at end of waiting period.
☐ In LWOP status at end of waiting period.
Initials of Clerk

STANDARD FORM NO. 1126—Revised
Form prescribed by Comp. Gen., U. S.
Nov. 8, 1950, General Regulations No. 102

PAY ROLL CHANGE SLIP —PERSONNEL COPY

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FD-281a (Rev. 2-20-56)

RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

I certify that I have received the following Government property for official use:

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READ

The Government property which you hereby acknowledge is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care of it and returning it when its use has ~~been completed~~. DO NOT MARK OR WRITE ON IT OR MUTILATE IT IN ANY WAY.

Very truly yours,

William A. Branigan

William A. Branigan

FD-281a (Rev. 2-20-56)

RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

October 17, 1956

I certify that I have received the following Government property for official use:

STENOGRAPHER'S MANUAL # 239 ✓
(issue of August 1956)

RETURNED destroyed 12/2/56

STENOGRAPHER'S MANUAL # 214 ✓
(Revised 2-15-56)

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Very truly yours,

William A. Branigan

William A. Branigan

March 18, 1957

PERSONAL AND ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

DECLASSIFIED BY 60267 NSE/ep/rd
ON 11-19-01

Dear Mr. Branigan:

The attention of the Bureau has been directed to the dilatory handling in the Espionage Section of a memorandum dated March 6, 1957, in the Internal Security case involving [redacted] The memorandum was returned on March 7, 1957, to the Espionage Section for revision and you were at fault for failing to insure that this matter was handled promptly and efficiently.

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As Chief of the Espionage Section it will be incumbent upon you in the future to make certain that all official matters in the section are handled with a greater degree of dispatch so that there will be no recurrence of a delinquency of this type.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

TJN:jlj
(5)

CC: Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention) 65 29-505-197
Domestic Intelligence Division Personnel File

Based on memo A. H. Belmont to L. V. Boardman 3/13/57, DEM:mn

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MAR 18 1957
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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

DATE: March 12, 1957

FROM : W. A. BRANIGAN

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SUBJECT: [redacted] was.
INTERNAL SECURITY (R)

Domestic Intelligence

On a memorandum from you to Mr. Boardman under this caption dated March 6, 1957, the Director noted "Why has it taken from March 6 until March 11 for this to reach me?"

The memorandum in question was prepared in the Espionage Section and was dated March 6, that being the day on which it was typed. After approval by the Supervisor who prepared it and myself, the memo was sent through to your office and was date stamped into your office subsequent to 9:20 a.m. and before 9:30 a.m., March 7. (The time stamp is not wholly legible.)

The memo was thereafter returned to the Espionage Section on March 7, at 1:40 p.m. following which I conferred with Inspector Moore, who correctly suggested that we revise certain phraseology used in the memo and proposed a change in the action recommended. Thereafter, the memo was returned by me to Supervisor [redacted] who received it on the morning of March 8. I relayed to Supervisor [redacted] the suggested changes to be made in the memo and page 2 was thereafter retyped incorporating the changes. The revised memo was thereafter approved by the Supervisor and myself and returned to your office time stamped March 8, 4:53 p.m. In accordance with present rules, the revised memo was not redated.

b6

There was a delay in the Espionage Section from 1:40 p.m., March 7, to 4:53 p.m., March 8, to revise one page of the memo. We have followed a rule in this Section, in accordance with your instructions, of making changes in memoranda on the same day that the changes were ordered, it at all possible. In this instance this was not done. The delay is solely my responsibility.

WAB:hmm:mn

ADDENDUM: (AHB:mn - 3-12-57)

On Friday, March 8, Branigan and my office were tied up on the [redacted] matter with the result this memo did not go up to Mr. Boardman until Saturday, March 9. Inasmuch as the memo dealt with a request from another agency, there was excessive delay all along the line. Our rule in the Division that corrections or changes in memos must be made at once was not followed. I am bringing the attention of all Section Chiefs in the Division to this rule and insisting that it be observed. I recommend no further action.

cc - Mr. Belmont
Mr. Branigan

Pretty sloppy handling

This does not satisfy me. I want individual responsibility fixed.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. L. V. BOARDMAN

DATE: March 13, 1957

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: [redacted] was. b6
INTERNAL SECURITY (R)

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Rememorandum from Mr. Branigan to me dated March 12, 1957, captioned as above, which set forth the excessive delay in the handling of a prior memorandum in this matter dated March 6, 1957. On Mr. Branigan's memorandum of March 12, 1957, the Director requested that responsibility for the delay be fixed.

The delay in the handling of the memorandum of March 6, 1957, in the Espionage Section from 1:40 PM on March 7, 1957, until 4:53 PM, March 8, 1957, was the responsibility of Mr. W. A. Branigan. The memorandum after reaching my office was referred to Mr. D. E. Moore and Mr. Moore was responsible for the memo not reaching your office until Saturday afternoon, March 9, 1957.

Domestic Intelligence

RECOMMENDATION:

In view of the delay in handling of this memo by Messrs. Branigan and Moore, it is recommended that they receive letters of censure.

62-219505-199

[redacted]:mn

cc - Mr. Boardman
Mr. Belmont
Administrative Division

(4)

Yes & I intended that these letters of censure be made without delay

Ltrs of Censure to Branigan & Moore 3/26/57

MAR 28 1957

2 Copies - Ltrs 3-27-57

FD-281a (Rev. 2-20-56)

RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

3-22-57

I certify that I have received the following Government property for official use:

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Very truly yours,

W. A. Branigan

W. A. Branigan

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. L. V. Boardman

DATE: March 18, 1957

FROM : Mr. A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: ERRORS

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In accordance with instructions contained in the Director's memorandum dated May 10, 1955, records have been maintained of the errors in correspondence and of the reviewing officials who approve correspondence with nonsubstantive errors contained therein. During the period November 10, 1956, through March 15, 1957, Special Agent William A. Branigan had ten such errors charged against him. A review of the errors reflected that most were typographical and grammatical errors.

I have discussed these errors with Special Agent Branigan and have emphasized the necessity of his reviewing mail even more carefully in the future.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that this memorandum be forwarded to the Administrative Division and that a letter of censure be prepared and addressed to Special Agent Branigan.

AHB:bms
(4)
cc - Mr. Boardman
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Belmont

RECORDED - 68

219505-200

Ltr of censure
3/25/57

5 MAR 28 1957

March 25, 1957

PERSONAL AND ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

DECLASSIFIED BY 60267 NLS/EP/cd
ON 11-19-01

Dear Mr. Branigan:

Attention has been called to the fact that you failed to detect a number of nonsubstantive errors which appeared in official correspondence reviewed and approved by you since November 10, 1956. Even though these errors were corrected before the correspondence left the Bureau, you were at fault for failing to detect them and for failing to have the corrections made.

It will be incumbent upon you in the future to exercise greater care and accuracy in reviewing Bureau mail so that such delinquencies will not recur.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

TJN:wmt
(5)

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CC: Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)
Domestic Intelligence Division Personnel File

Based on memo A. H. Belmont to Mr. Boardman 3/18/57, AHB:bms

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5 MAR 28 1957

Standard Form 88
(Rev. Aug. 1950)
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BUREAU OF THE BUDGET
CIRCULAR A-24

REPORT OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION

1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME	2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION	3. IDENTIFICATION NO.
Branigan, William A.	SA	
4. HOME ADDRESS (*Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State*)	**5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION**	**6. DATE OF EXAMINATION**
	Annual	3-13-57

7. SEX	8. RACE	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE MILITARY	CIVILIAN	10. DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, OR SERVICE	11. ORGANIZATION UNIT
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12. DATE OF BIRTH	13. PLACE OF BIRTH	14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
3-23-16	Albany, N.Y.	

15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS	16. OTHER INFORMATION
Bethesda	

17. RATING OR SPECIALTY — TIME IN THIS CAPACITY: TOTAL — LAST SIX MONTHS

CLINICAL EVALUATION

NOTES.—Describe every abnormality in detail. (Enter pertinent item number before each comment; continue in item 73 and use additional sheets if necessary.)

NORMAL	ABNORMAL	(*Check each item in appropriate column; enter "N. E." if not evaluated*)
		18. HEAD, FACE, NECK, AND SCALP
		19. NOSE
		20. SINUSES
		21. MOUTH AND THROAT
		22. EARS—GENERAL (*Int. & ext. canals*) (*Auditory acuity under items 70 and 71*)
		23. DRUMS (*Perforation*)
		24. EYES—GENERAL (*Visual acuity and refraction under items 59, 60, and 61*)
NE		25. OPHTHALMOSCOPIC
		26. PUPILS (*Equality and reaction*)
		27. OCULAR MOTILITY (*Associated parallel movements, nystagmus*)
		28. LUNGS AND CHEST (*Include breasts*)
		29. HEART (*Thrust, size, rhythm, sounds*)
		30. VASCULAR SYSTEM (*Varicosities, etc.*)
		31. ABDOMEN AND VISCERA (*Include hernia*)
		32. ANUS AND RECTUM (*Hemorrhoids, fistulae*) (*Prostate if indicated*)
		33. ENDOCRINE SYSTEM
		34. G-U SYSTEM
		35. UPPER EXTREMITIES (*Strength, range of motion*)
		36. FEET
		37. LOWER EXTREMITIES (*Except feet*) (*Strength, range of motion*)
		38. SPINE, OTHER MUSCULOSKELETAL
		39. IDENTIFYING BODY MARKS, SCARS, TATTOOS
		40. SKIN, LYMPHATICS
		41. NEUROLOGIC (*Equilibrium tests under item 78*)
		42. PSYCHIATRIC (*Specify any personality deviation*)
Females only		(*Check how done*)
		43. PELVIC ☐ VAGINAL ☐ RECTAL

ENCLOSURE (1)

(*Continue in item 73*)

44. DENTAL (*Place appropriate symbols above or below number of upper and lower teeth, respectively*)

O.—*Restorable teeth* /.—*Nonrestorable teeth* X.—*Missing teeth* XXX.—*Replaced by dentures* (6 × 8).—*Fixed bridge, brackets to include abutments*

RIGHT	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	LEFT
	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	

REMARKS AND ADDITIONAL DENTAL DEFECTS AND DISEASES

Meets dental standards

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LABORATORY FINDINGS

45. URINALYSIS: SP. GR. 1.015			46. CHEST X-RAY (*Place, date, film number, result*)	47. SEROLOGY (*Specify test used and result*)
ALBUMIN	SUGAR	MICROSCOPIC	Neg. 48680	Kahn, Negative
N	N	N		APR 4 1957

48. EKG	49. BLOOD TYPE AND RH FACTOR	50. OTHER TESTS
Normal		

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MEASUREMENTS AND OTHER FINDINGS

51. HEIGHT	52. WEIGHT	53. COLOR HAIR	54. COLOR EYES	55. BUILD: SLENDER / MEDIUM / HEAVY / OBESE	56. TEMP.
71	192	Brown	Hazel	☐ / ☒ / ☐ / ☐	

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57. BLOOD PRESSURE (*Arm at heart level*)

	SYS.	DIAS.
SITTING	130	84
RECUMBENT		
STANDING (3 min.)		

58. PULSE (*Arm at heart level*)

SITTING	AFTER EXERCISE	2 MIN. AFTER	RECUMBENT	AFTER STANDING 3 MIN.
88				

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59. DISTANT VISION		60. REFRACTION			61. NEAR VISION	
RIGHT 20/ 25	CORR. TO 20/ 20	BY Lens	S.	CX	0.62m 20.6	CORR. TO BY
LEFT 20/ 60	CORR. TO 20/ 20	BY Lens	S.	CX	20.8	CORR. TO BY

62. HETEROPHORIA (*Specify distance*) ES° EX° R. H. L. H. PRISM DIV. PRISM CONV. PC PD

63. ACCOMMODATION	64. COLOR VISION (*Test used and result*)	65. DEPTH PERCEPTION (*Test used and score*)	UNCORRECTED
RIGHT LEFT	AOC 1940 18/18		CORRECTED

66. FIELD OF VISION	67. NIGHT VISION (*Test used and score*)	68. RED LENS	69. INTRAOCULAR TENSION

70. HEARING

RIGHT WV 15 /15 SV /15
LEFT WV 15 /15 SV /15

71. AUDIOMETER

	250 *256*	500 *512*	1000 *1024*	2000 *2048*	3000 *2896*	4000 *4096*	8000 *8192*	
RIGHT								
LEFT								

72. PSYCHOLOGICAL AND PSYCHOMOTOR (*Tests used and score*)

73. NOTES (*Continued*) AND SIGNIFICANT OR INTERVAL HISTORY

(*Use additional sheets of plain paper if necessary*)

74. SUMMARY OF DEFECTS AND DIAGNOSES (*List diagnoses with item numbers*)

75. RECOMMENDATIONS—FURTHER SPECIALIST EXAMINATIONS INDICATED (*Specify*)

76. PHYSICAL PROFILE

P	U	L	H	E	S

77. EXAMINEE (*Check*)
☒ IS
☐ IS NOT
QUALIFIED FOR Strenuous physical exertion and use of fire arms.

PHYSICAL CATEGORY

78. IF NOT QUALIFIED, LIST DISQUALIFYING DEFECTS BY ITEM NUMBER

A	B	C	E

79. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN	SIGNATURE
	/S/ G. R. Johnston
80. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN	SIGNATURE
81. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF DENTIST OR PHYSICIAN (*Indicate which*)	SIGNATURE
	/S/ J. B. Ferris
82. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF REVIEWING OFFICER OR APPROVING AUTHORITY	SIGNATURE / NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS

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ATTACHMENT TO STANDARD FORM 88
(Revised July 25, 1956)

Report of Medical Examination

FOR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE OF MEDICAL EXAMINER:

The following portions of the attached examination report form need not be completed:

2	67	
3	68	
11	69	
14	71	(Item 71, audiometer examinations,
17		should be afforded whenever possible.)
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65	72	

Item 48, the electrocardiogram, is not required unless the examinee is over 35 years of age or unless other examination indicates such is desirable.

If the examinee is an applicant, the Chest X-ray and blood type and Rh factor (Items 46 and 49) are not necessary unless the facilities for affording same are readily available to the examiner.

FOR ALL EXAMINEES, WHETHER CLERICAL OR SPECIAL AGENT APPLICANTS OR EMPLOYEES:

The medical examiner should answer the following question:

Examinee ___is___ qualified for strenuous physical exertion. (Designate which)
(is or is not)

FOR ALL MALE EMPLOYEES OR APPLICANTS:

The medical examiner is requested to answer the following:

1. Does examinee have any defects restricting or prohibiting his participation in defensive tactics and dangerous assignments which might entail the practical use of firearms? ☐ Yes ☑ No

2. Does examinee have any defects prohibiting safe operation of motor vehicles?
☐ Yes ☑ No

If answer is "yes" please specify.

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT ALL STATEMENTS IN ITEMS 59, 61, 64 AND 70 PERTAINING TO VISUAL ACUITY, COLOR VISION AND HEARING BE COMPLETED IN DETAIL.

G R Johnston
(Signature of Medical Examiner)

MAR 22 1957
(Date)

BRANIGAN, W. A. ENG. 67-219505-282

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

Name of Employee: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

Where Assigned: Domestic Intelligence (Division) Espionage Section (Section, Unit)

Official Position Title SUPERVISORY SPECIAL AGENT (Section Chief) GS-15

Rating Period: from April 1, 1956 to March 31, 1957

ADJECTIVE RATING: EXCELLENT
Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

Employee's Initials W A B

Rated by:	Howard E. Moore Signature	Inspector Title	4-15-57 Date
Reviewed by:	[signature] Signature	Assistant Director Title	4-15-57 Date
Rating Approved by:	[signature] Signature	Assistant Director Title	APR 16 1957 Date

TYPE OF REPORT 67-219 585-202X

(X) Official
(X) Annual

( ) Administrative
( ) 60-Day
( ) Transfer
( ) Separation from Service
( ) Special

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PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD-185)

Name of Employee WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN Title Supervisory Special Agent (Section Chief)

Rating Period: from 4-1-56 to 3-31-57

RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST

Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared. Rate items as follows:

+ Outstanding (exceeding excellent and deserving of special commendation).
E Excellent.
✓ Satisfactory (good or very good).
– Unsatisfactory.
O No opportunity to appraise performance during rating period.

Guide for determining adjective rating:

1. "Outstanding" adjective rating requires (A) that all rated elements be "+" and (B) that each and every rated element be factually justified by narrative detail on reverse of Form FD-185.
2. "Excellent," "Satisfactory" or "Unsatisfactory" adjective ratings will depend upon the composite result of evaluating all rated elements rather than following any mechanical formulas; however, for an employee to be rated "Excellent" he must not be rated unsatisfactory on any performance evaluation factors on the rating guide and check-list and must be rated "Excellent" or "Outstanding" on the majority of such rating factors. Good judgment must be exercised to insure that adjective rating is reasonable in the light of elements rated.
   A. Any element rated "Unsatisfactory" must be supported by narrative comments.
   B. An "official" adjective rating of "Unsatisfactory" must comply with the requirements described on the reverse of form FD-185.

+ (1) Personal appearance.
+ (2) Personality and effectiveness of his personal contacts.
+ (3) Attitude (including dependability, cooperativeness, loyalty, enthusiasm, amenability and willingness to equitably share work load).
+ (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina).
+ (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity.
+ (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required.
+ (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions, ability to define objectives.
+ (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility.
E (9) Planning ability and its application to the work.
+ (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail.
+ (11) Industry, including energetic, consistent application to duties.
+ (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control.
+ (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and "know how" of application.
O (14) Technical or mechanical skills.
+ (15) Investigative ability and results:
   + (a) Internal security cases
   O (b) Criminal or general investigative cases
   O (c) Fugitive cases
   O (d) Applicant cases
   O (e) Accounting cases
O (16) Physical surveillance ability.
✓ (17) Firearms ability.
O (18) Development of informants and sources of information.
+ (19) Reporting ability:
   O (a) Investigative reports
   O (b) Summary reports
   + (c) Memos, letters, wires
   (Consider: + conciseness; + clarity; + organization; + thoroughness; + accuracy; + adequacy and pertinency of leads; + administrative detail.)
O (20) Performance as a witness.
✓ (21) Executive ability:
   + (a) Leadership
   + (b) Ability to handle personnel
   E (c) Planning
   ✓ (d) Making decisions
   + (e) Assignment of work
   + (f) Training subordinates
   + (g) Devising procedures
   + (h) Emotional stability
   + (i) Promoting high morale
   + (j) Getting results
✓ (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments:
   E (a) As leader
   E (b) As participant
+ (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement.
+ (24) Ability to work under pressure.
+ (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate:
   + Dictation ability
   + capable for additional responsibility

A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as Resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.): Section Chief

B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker): administrator

C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)
(2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)

D. 1. Has employee had an abnormal sick leave record during rating period? no 2. Has employee used more sick leave during rating period than earned during such period? no (If answer to either question is "Yes," explain in narrative comments.)

E. Is employee qualified to operate a motor vehicle incidental to his official duties? [X] Yes [ ] No
If answer is "yes," personnel file must reflect the following: (a) Has valid State or local operator's license for type vehicle he is to use. (b) Is physically fit to drive. (c) Past safe driving record OK or has passed Bureau road test.

ADJECTIVE RATING: EXCELLENT (Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory) EMPLOYEE'S INITIALS WAB

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WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

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Mr. Branigan has continued as Chief of the Espionage Section in the Domestic Intelligence Division during this rating period. This section handles some of the most complicated investigations in the Bureau, including Atomic
(U) Energy matters, foreign intelligence matters, espionage investigations, and the program of covering Soviet bloc officials in the United States. Mr. Branigan has supervised this work in an extremely capable fashion. He has an outstanding knowledge of the espionage field, is intensively interested in his work, and has shown ingenuity and aggressiveness in the manner in which he has supervised the Espionage Section. He has the ability to analyze situations, come to proper conclusions, and take necessary action. He is extremely loyal to the Bureau, always conscientious in the performance of his duties, and makes every effort to see that work in his section is handled in the very best possible fashion.

Mr. Branigan has an outstanding personality and this, coupled with his excellent personal appearance, makes him a very effective Bureau representative. He handles personnel in an extremely capable fashion and inspires enthusiasm and loyalty among the employees in his section. He sets an excellent example for others by his own hard work.

On April 18, 1956, Mr. Branigan was commended by the Director for the excellent job he had done in supervising a program involving the contact of highly confidential sources of information pertaining to internal security matters. On July 14, 1956, the Director congratulated Mr. Branigan on his fifteenth anniversary with the FBI. On July 26, 1956, Mr. Branigan was commended for his performance during the recent Operation Alert.

Mr. Branigan is fully qualified to take part in raids and dangerous assignments either as a leader or participant. He is fully capable of handling the most complicated investigations.

Mr. Branigan is available for assignment wherever his services are needed by the Bureau and could be relied upon in connection with any assignment given.

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PART II SPECIFIC COMMENTS

1. **Justification for any Minus Ratings Given**

Not applicable

2. **Experience and Ability as Inspector's Aide**

Mr. Branigan has not functioned as an inspector's aide but in his capacity as Section Chief frequently inspects the operations of this section and is qualified along inspection lines.

3. **Participation in Informant Programs.**

Mr. Branigan has supervised planning of programs with regard to informants in the espionage field and has a very sound background in connection with informant matters.

4. **Testifying Experience and Ability**

No testimony during rating period.

5. **Disciplinary Action**

On March 18, 1957, Mr. Branigan was censured for his failure to handle a matter promptly and efficiently. On March 25, 1957, he was censured for having failed to detect a number of nonsubstantive errors which appeared in official correspondence reviewed and approved by him.

6. **Accounting Information**

Not applicable

7. **Police Instruction**

Not applicable

8. **Sound Training**

Not applicable

9. **Potentiality for and Interest in Administrative Advancement**

By his competent discharge of his duties as Section Chief of the Espionage Section, Mr. Branigan has demonstrated definite ability as an administrator. He is able to analyze matters, come to proper conclusions, and make proper decisions. He has an excellent knowledge of Bureau policies and procedures. He makes an extremely favorable impression as a Bureau representative. He is interested in and capable of further advancement.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

5-23-57

I certify that I have received the following Government property for official use:
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The Government property which you hereby acknowledge is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care of it and returning it when its use has been completed. DO NOT MARK OR WRITE ON IT OR MUTILATE IT IN ANY WAY.

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Very truly yours,

W. A. Branigan.

William A. Branigan, SA

July 14, 1957

PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Branigan:

As today marks your Sixteenth Anniversary with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, I want to extend to you warmest congratulations and best wishes. By your devotion to duty and dedicated efforts you are rendering a most worthwhile contribution to the accomplishments of the Bureau, and it is my sincere hope that you can continue your career in the service for many more years.

Sincerely,

1-18 Edgar Hoover

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Very truly yours,

William A. Branigan

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of $10, payable to the Assistant Director, Administrative Division, FBI, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for a continuous period of two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Assistant Director of the Administrative Division of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Assistant Director of the Administrative Division, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $10,000. The liability of the fund shall not under any circumstances exceed the amount of monies in the fund at the time any liability shall occur. The following person is designated as my beneficiary for FBI Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name Lois HALLENBECK BRANIGAN Relationship WIFE Date 5/7/57

Address 2317 N. KENTUCKY ST., ARLINGTON VA.

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the C. S. Ross Fund providing $1500 death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in the line of duty:

Name Lois HALLENBECK BRANIGAN Relationship WIFE Date 5/7/57

Address 2317 N. KENTUCKY ST. ARLINGTON, VA.

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Very truly yours,

William G. Branigan
Special Agent

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December 5, 1957

PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Branigan:

I want you to share in the recognition that is due for the excellent work performed by our personnel in the investigation and conviction of Rudolf Ivanovich Abel, an espionage subject. (U) (S)

The close attention you gave to the direction of this investigation and the many worthwhile recommendations you made during the course of the investigation were material factors in the success attained. You performed well and I am deeply grateful.

Sincerely yours,

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TO : Mr. Mohr

November 22, 1957

FROM : H. L. Edwards

SUBJECT: (U) FINCASE
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COMMENDATION AND INCENTIVE AWARD MATTERS

By memo 11/8/57 SAC, New York, recommended 9 incentive awards and 40 commendations for New York agents who participated in this investigation. (William A Branigan)

Fincase is a complex involved espionage investigation concerning an illegal Soviet espionage network operating in U. S. From inception 5/7/57, investigation was handled as "Special" and because of many ramifications it was necessary to assign as many as 125 agents to it. It began on basis of disclosures made by [redacted] member of network who defected. Network headed by "Mark", a colonel in Soviet intelligence. "Mark" convicted 10/25/57 in U. S. District Court, Eastern District of New York, for violation of espionage statute and Registration Act as result of this investigation. Other results of this investigation were identification of [redacted] master sergeant, U. S. Army, as involved in Soviet espionage; [redacted] Finnish seaman, identified as courier for network; and identification (U) of a number of Soviet intelligence officials no longer in U. S. Investigation uncovered espionage techniques previously unknownto Bureau including use of hollowed-out objects such as nuts, bolts, jewelry, pencils, coins, and magnetic containers in which microfilm or coded and plain text messages were inserted. These objects were passed through system of widely separated dead drops located in parks, isolated areas, theaters, bars, etc. The use of short-wave transmissions by Soviets to transmit instructions to its agents in U. S. also uncovered in the investigation. Considerable coded material obtained which should prove valuable in efforts of U. S. to break Soviet codes. Considerable number of cases have grown out of Fincase and should continue to grow as investigations in these cases continue. (S)

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SAs Edward H. Moody, Edward J. Murphy, Lawrence F. McWilliams and [redacted] recommended for awards of $300 each for handling (U) defector [redacted] who because of his heavy drinking habits and emotional and erratic behavior was a constant problem. Despite numerous problems and difficulties they obtained a wealth of information

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from him which played a most important part in the conviction of (U) [redacted] and idertification of others involved. These agents also participated in other phases of the investigation which resulted in the location of important evidence which played an important part in the trial.

SA James P. Kehoe recommended for $300 award was assigned (U) case on Rhodes, U. S. Army sergeant, and with other agents obtained signed statements from him admitting his involvement with the Soviets. In addition, Kehoe was one of four agents who through initiative and ingenuity located a "screw container" containing a message in an abandoned drop area in a Brooklyn park which area had been cemented over. He also recovered what appeared to be an innocuous block of wood which (U) was subsequently found to contain one-time cipher pads and also was one of two agents who uncovered a hollowed-out pencil containing 18 rolls of microfilm.

SAs John J. O'Brien and [redacted] recommended for $300 awards. O'Brien had over-all supervision of investigation and exercised considerable ingenuity and resourcefulness in overcoming the many difficult and trying problems which arose. His direction played a great part in unearthing the new techniques and procedures utilized by (U) Soviet agents in this case. [redacted] supervised many phases of this investigation including on-the-spot supervision of the detailed search of the residence of defector, [redacted] which was a most difficult search (U) conducted under extremely trying conditions. Throughout the investigation he supervised the voluminous correspondence which was received and transmitted. Assigned leads, made up surveillances, and assisted supervisor O'Brien.

SAs John G. Willis and [redacted] recommended for $200 awards. Willis assigned handling of control case in investigation and preparation of lengthy reports. The immensity of his task in coordinating and assimilating the data can be measured by the number of agents who worked on this case. He also handled liaison with Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) officials which was most (U) important since INS originally had [redacted] and his personal effects. SA [redacted] was assigned case on [redacted] and demonstrated (U) considerable initiative, a high degree of diligence and a excellent reporting ability. He was one of two agents who developed a valuable (U) source which made it possible for an anonymous source contact at [redacted] studio.

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The detailed material submitted on each of the 40 agents recommended for commendation has been reviewed and they appear to be deserving of commendation for their excellent participation in various phases of the investigation.

Domestic Intelligence Division concurred in recommendations of SAC and recommended: (1) that SOG Supervisor Anthony P. Litrento, who handled investigation at SOG, be granted award of $250. He was responsible for over-all coordination of investigation, was required to follow numerous investigative leads set out in several investigations to insure that they were being run out and results obtained and during the investigation, he was responsible for furnishing voluminous correspondence to the Department and other governmental agencies. The success of the case was due in no small way to his individual efforts. (2) That SOG Supervisor James P. Lee, who assisted in the supervision of this case at SOG, be commended and promoted to grade GS 14 (the matter of his promotion is being handled by separate memo). (3) That SOG Supervisor Sam J. Papich be commended for the excellent manner in which he handled the liaison with INS and the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). (4) That SA William A. Branigan, Chief of the Espionage Section, be commended for the close attention, direction and recommendations he made during the course of the investigation.

The Laboratory has recommended: (1) that SA Frederick E. Webb be granted award of $250. He was principal Laboratory examiner in this case and made many examinations and in addition, coordinated all phases of the Laboratory work in this case. He prepared most of the Laboratory reports, kept track of the hundreds of items of evidence, testified at the Grand Jury, attended several conferences with Departmental attorneys and testified at the trial. On one occassion, he went to New York to screen hundreds of items looking for concealed messages. (2) Commendation for SA [redacted]

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(U) [redacted]

(U) [redacted]

[redacted] (3) Commendation for [redacted], I. Woodrow Newpher, Paul A. Napier, Marion E. Williams, William R. Heilman and R. Joseph L'Italien for their work in handling various phases of the Laboratory examinations.

BUREAU RECORDS

SA Moody entered on duty 4/30/51 and is in grade GS 12, $7570. During past 3 years commended once, no administrative action. Rated Excellent on 1957 annual performance report.
SA Murphy entered on duty 10/1/51 and is in grade GS 11, $6820. During past 3 years censured once and commended once. Rated Excellent on 1957 annual performance report.
SA McWilliams entered on duty 1/22/51 and is in grade GS 12, $7785. During the past 3 years commended twice, no censures. Rated Excellent on 1957 annual performance report.

[redacted]

SA Kehoe entered on duty 3/26/51 and is in grade GS 12, $7570. During past 3 years no censures, no commendations. Rated Excellent on 1957 annual performance report.
SA O'Brien entered on duty 6/29/42 and is in grade GS 14, $10,320. During past 3 years 4 censures, 5 commendations and on 12/2/55 granted $200 cash award for outstanding supervision of the development and handling of highly confidential source. Rated Excellent on 1957 annual performance report. b6

[redacted]

SA Willis entered on duty 7/15/40 and is in grade GS 13, $9850. During past 3 years no censures, 2 commendation and on 4/11/57 granted cash award of $100 for work in development and contacting of highly confidential source. Rated Excellent on 1957 annual performance report.

[redacted]

SOG Supervisor Litrento entered on duty 4/6/42 and is in grade GS 14, $10,535. Censured 7/10/57 as a communication to the Department in the Fincase which he prepared contained an error in that word "drive" was erroneously written "drive," and censured 8/9/57 as two outgoing communications which he prepared in the Fincase contained errors. In
(U) the one, an address "62 Market Street" was erroneously reflected as "61 Market Street" and in the other, the date 6/11/57 was erroneously written as 7/11/57. This is the only administrative action taken against him throughout his Bureau career. Commended on 3 occassions since 7/9/51 when he was transferred to SOG. Rated Excellent on 1957 annual performance report.

SA Webb entered on duty 4/14/43, resigned 8/30/45, reinstated 2/4/46 and is in grade GS 14, $10,750. During past 3 years 1 censure, 5 commendations. Rated Excellent on 1957 annual performance report.

The agents recommended for incentive awards have met the standard of the Incentive Awards Program dealing with performance which has involved the overcoming of unusual difficulties. Their performance is considered to be of moderate value and broad application to the work of the Bureau entitling them to awards of $150 to $300.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That SAs Moody, Murphy, McWilliams, Kehoe, O'Brien, [redacted] Willis, [redacted] New York Office, each be granted an incentive award of $200 for their outstanding work in this investigation amount recommended is in line with previous recommendations for similar type performances made). b6

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JSM/msc
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2. That the 40 New York agents whose names are set out in the background material each be commended for his work in this investigation.

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3. Although SOG Supervisor Litrento supervised many phases of this investigation in an exceptionally fine manner and contributed much to the success of the investigation in view of the 2 letters of censure which he received in connection with this case, it is felt that he should not be granted a cash award; it is therefore recommended that he be commended.

Recommend cash-($200) award. ERC
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4. That SAs Lee, Papich, Branigan, supervisors in the Domestic Intelligence Division be commended for their work in connection with this investigation.

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5. That SA Webb of the Laboratory Division be granted an incentive award fo $200 for the outstanding manner in which he handled various examinations and the coordination of all phases of the Laboratory work (amoutn recommended is in line with previous recommendation made for similar type performance).

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7. That [redacted] Newpher, Napier, Williams, Heilman and L'Italien all of the Laboratory Division be commended for the excellent manner in which they handled various phases of the Laboratory examinations.

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all done
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PERMANENT BRIEFS OF PERSONNEL FILES OF SAS MOODY, MURPHY, McWILLIAMS [redacted] KEHOE, O'BRIEN, [redacted] WILLIS, [redacted], LITRENTO AND WEBB ARE ATTACHED.

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TO: L. V. BOARDMAN

FROM: A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: FINCASE ESPIONAGE - R

1 - BOARDMAN
1 - BELMONT
1 - DON MOORE
1 - LITRENTO
1 - C. R. DAVIDSON
1 - PARSONS

DATE 11/13/57

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William A. Branigan

The Fincase is a complex involved espionage investigation concerning an illegal Soviet espionage network operating in the U. S. This case had its inception on 5-7-57 on the basis of disclosures made by [redacted] member of the network who defected. It has been handled on a "special" basis since its inception, and because of its ramifications it has been necessary to have assigned at one time to this case a total of 125 Special Agents. The network was headed by [redacted] a colonel in Soviet intelligence. The result obtained has been the conviction of [redacted] on 10-25-57 in the United States District Court, Eastern District of New York, for violations of the espionage statute and Registration Act. (S)

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Another result obtained has been the identification of [redacted], master sergeant in U. S. Army, as involved in Soviet espionage. [redacted] made written confessions to our Agents concerning his involvement. He is presently awaiting court-martial proceedings. A Finnish seaman, [redacted] has been identified as a courier for this network. Identifications have also been made of a number of Soviet intelligence officials who are no longer in the U. S., such as [redacted] former United Nations official. This investigation has uncovered espionage techniques which were previously unknown to the Bureau. They include use of hollowed-our objects such as nuts, bolts, jewelry, pencils, coins and magnetic containers in which were inserted microfilm or coded and plain text messages. These objects were passed through system of widely separated dead drops located in parks and other isolated aread, theaters, bars, etc. The use of short-wave transmissions by the Soviets to transmit instructions to its agents in this country was also uncovered in this investigation. Considerable coded material was also obtained, which should be of inestimable value to the United States in its efforts to break Soviet codes. A considerable number of cases have grown out of instant case and will probably continue to grow as these cases progress. (S)

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SAC, New York by memorandum 11-8-57 has recommended 9 incentive awards and 40 commendations for New York Agents who participated in this investigation.

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(U) MEMORANDUM TO MR. BOARDMAN
RE: FINCASE
65-64521 (S)

SAs Edward H. Moody, Edward J. Murphy, Lawrence F. McWilliams and [redacted] have been recommended for $300 incentive awards each for their performance in handling the (U) defector, [redacted] (S) These Agents were able to obtain a wealth of information from him in spite of the numerous problems and (U) difficulties encountered by them in their contacts with him. [redacted] (S) because of his heavy drinking habits and emotional and erratic behavior caused by his defection, was a constant problem and necessitated most delicate and unusual handling by these Agents. Despite these tryping circumstances, these Agents were (U) able to obtain detailed information which played a most important part in the conviction [redacted] and the identification of others involved in this network. (S)

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(U) SA Moody was charged with the prime responsibility of (U) handling [redacted] (S) SA Moody, in addition to his participation in interviews with [redacted] was one of several Agents who through ingenuity located a (U) [redacted] (S) This item was an important piece of evidence at the trial. SA McWilliams and SA (U) [redacted] sucessfully elicited from [redacted] extensive data on [redacted] (S) SA [redacted] was one of 2 Agents who located and unearthed a fictitious birth certificate buried in [redacted] cellar, which (U) [redacted] had received from "Mark." (S) This was an important item of evidence at the trial.

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SA James P. Kehoe recommended for $300 incentive award. This Agent had assigned to him the case of [redacted] (U) U. S. Army sergeant, and with other Bureau Agents obtained from [redacted] signed statments admitting his involvement with Soviets. (S) In addition, Kehoe was one of 4 Agents who through initiative and ingenuity located a "screw container" in an abandoned drop (U) area in Prospect Park, Brooklyn, which contained a message. The drop area had been cemented over. (S) He was also one of 2 Agents who uncovered a hollowed-out pencil in [redacted] hotel (U) room which contained 18 rolls of microfilm in one frame of which was a Moscow radio schedule used by "Mark" in his work. (S) Kehoe also recovered what appeared to be an innocuous block of wood and which was subsequently found to contain one-time (U) cipher pads. (S) These items were most important bits of evidence at the trial.

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(U) RE: FINCASE
65-64521

Staff Supervisor John J. O'Brien and Supervisor [redacted] have been recommended for $300 incentive awards each. O'Brien was the immediate supervisor in charge of the complete investigation who exercised considerable ingenuity and resourcefulness in spite of the trying problems arising during this case. It was necessary for him to work unusually long hours each day and 7 days a week for a considerable period of this investigation. The direction he gave played a great part in unearching the new techiniques (U) and procedures which were utilized by Soviet agents involved in this case. [redacted] supervisory duties were mainly concerned with guidance and instrucations with respect to the handling of all communications prepared in this case which of necessity were voluminous and had to be handled most expeditiously. He also necessarily put in long hours of hard work over an extended period in this case.

SAs [redacted] were recommended for $200 incentive awards each. [redacted] was assigned handling of the control case in this investigation and the preparation of legthy reports making it necessary for him to be completely knowledgeable on the data developed in this case. The immensity of his task in coordinating and assimilating the data can be measured by the number of Agents who worked on this case which as stated above totaled 125 on some occasions. In addition, [redacted] handled liaison with (U) INS officials which was a most important phase of this case inasmuch as INS originally obtained custody of [redacted] and (U) all his personal effects. Through [redacted] liaison efforts the uncovering of much evidentiary material among [redacted] (U) effects was made easier. [redacted] was assigned the individual case on [redacted] the head of this network. The handling of this matter required considerable initiative, a high degree of diligence and excellent reporting ability. SA [redacted] had these attributes. In addition, SA [redacted] (U) was one of 2 Agents who developed as a valuable source [redacted] superintendent of the office building housing [redacted] studio whose services were utilized to develop NY 2035-S*. The latter source was able to provide a welth of information on (U) [redacted] and operations of this network.

SAC, New York recommends the following Agent personnel of the New York Offiee for commendation for their work in handling various phases of this case such as identification of (U) [redacted] the Finnish seaman courier utilized in this case;

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taking of photographs of this individual aboard a Finnish ship which Agents were able to board on a suitable pretext; the location of [redacted] whose true identity was not known to [redacted]; the location of [redacted] at the Hotel Latham, New York City, and surveillance of him prior to his apprehension which required ingenuity, good judgement and tenaciousness; the finding of a hollowed-out bolt in the [redacted] residence which contained a message leading to the identification of the Army sergeant, [redacted]; excellent handling of the building superintendent at [redacted] studio as a source; the extremely delicate handling of NY 2035-S* because of the sensitive nature of this source; the location of the abandoned drop in (U) a crevice of a certain step in Brooklyn's Prospect Park which had been recemented and the ingenuity exercised in digging for the drop and the location of a bolt containing a message which was tied up to [redacted] at the trial; the assignment of a number of Agents to control both [redacted] during extended period of time which required considerable good judgment, initiative, above average force and aggressiveness in order that the movements [redacted] could be controlled and not jeopardize the entire investigation (this was most important in view of the erratic and unpredictable behavior ob both [redacted] on numerous occasions): admissions from Army Sergeant [redacted] effective testimony rendered by various Agents during the trial; the identification of [redacted], engineer with glass eye who was of interest to the Soviets; identifications of a number of [redacted] friends and acquaintances in U. S.; and development of a highly confidential source at a bank which resulted in the location of $15,000 belonging to [redacted] in a safe-deposit box. (S)

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Forrest S. Putman
[redacted]
Simon Tullai
Donald B. Wiebke
Supervisor Frank J. Smith
John H. Proctor
[redacted]
John P. Mannion
[redacted]
David D. O'Connor
George R. Steel
Thomas P. Selleck, Jr.
[redacted]

John Dennis O'Connell
[redacted]
Michael G. Leonard
[redacted]
[redacted]
Joseph C. McDonald
[redacted]
Paul J. Blasco
Joseph F. Phelan

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MEMORANDUM TO MR. BOARDMAN

(U) RE: FINCASE
65-64521 (X)

Hobson H. Adcock
[redacted]
James F. O'Connell

[redacted]
John W1 O'Rourke
[redacted]
John E. Mulvaney
Francis G. Honan

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SAC, New York, also recommends commendation for ASAC Thomas J. McAndrews of WFO, who was formerly assigned to the New York Office and functioned during the months of May and JUne, 1957, as number 1 man To ASAC William G. Simon, for McAndrews' direction of Agent personnel in the
(U) approach to [redacted] the Hotel Latham and the subsequent search of the hotel room which developed informaton of considerable value. SAC, New York, also recommends for commendation McAndrew's successor, Supervisor William J. McDonell, number 1 man to ASAC Simon, for supervisory attention he gave to this investigation since June, 1957, which required long hours of work. McDonald demonstrated a high degree of interest and resourcefulness in suggestions made to immediate supervisor of the i nvestigation in the handling of numerous phases of this case.

SAC, New York, also recommends for commendation ASAC William G. Simon of the New York Office for his overall supervision and responsibility in this case, his untiring efforts and large volume of overtime necessary and his judgment, resourcefulness and decisiveness contributing in a large measure to the successful outcome.

RECOMMENDATION:

1. The Domestic Intelligence Division Concurs with the recommendations of the SAC, New York concerning the nine incentive awards and letters of commendation for 37 Special Agents of the New York Office. Domestic Intelligence Division also agrees with the recommendation for a letter of commendation for ASAC McAndrews of the Washington Field Office, Supervisor William J. McDonnell of the New YorkOffice and ASAC William G. Simon of the New York Office.

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re: Fincase
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investigative suggestions, was responsible for furnishing voluminous correspondence on the investigation to the Department and other agencies of the Government. The quality of supervision exercised by him is deserving of an incentive award in the amount previously mentioned. His regular working hours are from 9 A. M. to 5:30 P. M.

In addition, because of the terrific size and complexity of this investigation, it was necessary to assign SA James P. Lee to assist Agent Litrento. He has supervised the important case involving [redacted] Like Agent Litrento, he has contributed his time without regard to his personal convenience and his supervision and assistance have been outstanding. In view, thereof, it is recommended that he be given a letter of commendation. Further, it is noted that SA Lee was first eligible for consideration for promotion to GS-14 on July 20, 1957. In September he was passed over due to letters of censure received in the past. He is scheduled to be reconsidered in January, 1958. In view of the quality of his performance in connection with this case, it is recommended that he be favorably considered for reallocation at this time. b6

(S) Domestic Intelligence Division recommends a letter of commendation for SA Sam J. Papich, who is our Liaison Agent with the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) and the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA). SA Papich has done an outstanding job in his assignment in connection with this case in arranging with the INS for the pick-up of [redacted]. Likewise, he has kept the Bureau abreast of developments as they occurred [redacted] b1 b6

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65-64521 (S)

[redacted] (S) The high quality of his performance has justified [illegible]tter of commendation.
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3. It will be noted that personnel of the Laboratory were vitally concerned in the investigation and trial of the subject, [redacted] (S) b6 It is recommended that this memo be referred to the Laboratory so that they can add pertinent comments and recommendations with respect to personnel assigned to the Laboratory.

William A.
4. Section Chief/ Branigan gave this entire investigation close attention and direction and made numerous recommendations with regard to the course of our investigation which were extremely valuable to the successful handling of the investigation. In view of the outstanding performance by Mr. Branigan it is recommended that he receive a letter of commendation.

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Memorandum A. H. Belmont to Mr. Boardman
11/13/57
65-64521

RECOMMENDATIONS OF LABORATORY: (AKB:mb)

1. That SA Frederick E. Webb receive an incentive award in the amount of $250.00. SA Webb was the principal Laboratory examiner in this case. Laboratory examinations played a leading part in outcome of case. SA Webb made the document examinations, examinations of photographs and examined many of the items containing concealed messages. As principal examiner he co-ordinated all the Laboratory phases of this case, prepared most of the Laboratory reports and kept track of the evidence. Hundreds of items of evidence were examined in Laboratory and returned to Field. SA Webb testified at Grand Jury in New York, had several conferences with Departmental attorneys concerning Laboratory phases of testimony and testified at the trial in New York. . On one occasion during the investigation he went to New York to screen hundreds of items looking for concealed messages. SA Webb used outstanding ingenuity and imagination in his examinations and exhibited skill in co-ordinating all of the Laboratory angles of this case.

2. That letters of commendation be sent to following Agents:

a. SA Lyndal L. Shaneyfelt made several examinations in Laboratory of documents, photographic film and objects containing concealments. Went to New York on three separate occasions to screen hundreds of items found in suspects' possession for concealments. Did this screening at New York Field Office, INS Office in New York and contacted confidential informant, New York 2035-S*, where he was successful in screening a large number of items for about five hours one night. SA Shaneyfelt interviewed subject, [redacted] at New York City at length and obtained extensive information concerning the use of microdots in Russian Intelligence operations. Results of this interview were furnished to New York by Bureau in airtel May 25, 1957.

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SA Shaneyfelt gave unstintingly of his time and talents. While it is noted he received a letter of censure for (U) passing over a block of wood, which was ultimately determined to contain a miniature cipher pad in his preliminary screening of a large volume of material in New York, it should be remembered he performed outstanding services in other phases of this case, including successful interview with informant, New York 2035-S*, under hazardous conditions, (U) obtained valuable information from interview with subject, [redacted] and performed difficult Laboratory examinations successfully in the Laboratory, some of which lasted all night. b6

b. [redacted] who co-ordinated all of the cryptographic examinations and examined many items himself. He demonstrated unusual ingenuity and thoroughness in this successful operation. b6

c. I. Woodrow Newpher who made some cryptographic examinations in Laboratory and went to New York on three separate occasions on short notice to screen hundreds of items found in suspects' possession for cryptographic significance He demonstrated ingenuity and gave willingly of his time because most of these operations involved long hours of work at night and on weekends.

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d. Paul A. Napier made some cryptographic examinations in Laboratory and went to New York on one occasion to screen material found in suspects' possession for items of cryptographic significance.

e. Marion E. Williams co-ordinated all of the examinations in the Physics and Chemistry Section and personally examined numerous items himself to detect cavities where secret messages could be concealed. Items he examined included screws, coins, cuff links, batteries and various metal and wooden objects. In taking some of (U) these objects apart he found cavities where secret messages could be concealed. (X) He applied his skill to these examinations with outstanding ingenuity and imagination.

f. William R. Heilman and R. Joseph L'Italien. These Agents went to New York with X-ray equipment a few days before the trial to examine hundreds of items found in possession of suspects which could not be sent to Laboratory. They departed on short notice and gave unstintingly of their time in this operation which involved use of dangerous equipment.

Many other Agents in FBI Laboratory made examinations in this case, all of which were performed in the Laboratory. However, they are not being recommended for commendation because their contributions to this case do not match the outstanding contributions of the Laboratory Agents mentioned above.

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William A. Branigan

William A. Branigan

Office Memorandum · UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. J. P. MOHR

DATE: July 29, 1957

FROM : MR. A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: PARKING PERMITS

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It is requested that Special Agent W. V. Cleveland be issued a parking permit for Space No. 16, alternate only. It is further requested that Special Agent W. A. Branigan be issued a parking permit for Space No. 88, alternate only.

Parking permit for Space No. 87, alternate only, is being turned in by Special Agent Cleveland and is attached hereto.

Enclosure

AHB:mn
cc - Mr. Mohr
Mr. Belmont

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Memo to 7/30/57 Dept

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MR. S. A. ANDRETTA
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT ATTORNEY GENERAL

7-30-57

DIRECTOR, FBI

PARKING PERMITS

It is requested that the following alternate parking permits be issued:

Alternate space 16 to W. V. Cleveland who has a 1956 Ford with Virginia license 952-972.

Alternate space 88 to W. A. Branigan who has a 1955 Ford Station Wagon with Virginia license 197-782.

There is being forwarded under separate cover the cancelled alternate parking permit on space 87, returned by W. V. Cleveland.

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Mr. F. W. Waikart assigned to space E-19, now has Maryland license JL-11-32.

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(SIGNED) William A. Branigan (WRITTEN SIGNATURE)

(DATE) 1-7-52

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Mr. L. V. Boardman

DATE: December 27, 1957

FROM : Mr. A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: ERRORS

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In accordance with instructions contained in a memorandum to all Bureau officials and Supervisors dated April 4, 1957, records have been maintained of the errors in correspondence and of the reviewing officials who approve correspondence with nonsubstantive errors contained therein. During the period April 8, 1957, through December 27, 1957, Section Chief William A. Branigan had ten such errors charged against him. A review of these errors reflected that most were typographical and grammatical errors.

I have discussed these errors with Section Chief Branigan and have emphasized the necessity of his reviewing mail even more carefully in the future.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that this memorandum be forwarded to the Administrative Division and that a letter of censure be prepared and addressed to Section Chief Branigan.

Let censure to Branigan 1/3/58

Serialized 62-219505-205

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1 - Mr. Boardman
1 - Mr. Mohr
1 - Mr. Belmont

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January 3, 1958

PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Branigan:

From April 8, 1957, to December 27, 1957, a number of nonsubstantive errors were discovered in official correspondence approved by you and you were remiss in failing to detect the errors and in not having them corrected.

Hereafter, you will be expected to review official mail more carefully and with greater thoroughness so that there will be no other occasion to call errors of this type to your attention.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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1 - Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)
1 - Domestic Intelligence Division Personnel File

Based on memo A. H. Belmont to Mr. Boardman dated 12/27/57, AHB:mpp.

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CIRCULAR A-24

REPORT OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION

1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME (Type or print)	2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION	3. IDENTIFICATION NO.
Branigan, William A.	Sp. Agent	
4. HOME ADDRESS (Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State)	**5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION**	**6. DATE OF EXAMINATION**
	Annual	Mar. 5, 1958

7. SEX	8. RACE	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE (MILITARY / CIVILIAN)	10. DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, OR SERVICE	11. ORGANIZATION UNIT
Male	White			

12. DATE OF BIRTH	13. PLACE OF BIRTH	14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
3/23/16	Albany, N. Y.	

15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS	16. OTHER INFORMATION
N.N.M.C.	

17. RATING OR SPECIALTY — TIME IN THIS CAPACITY: TOTAL — LAST SIX MONTHS

CLINICAL EVALUATION

NOTES.—Describe every abnormality in detail. (Enter pertinent item number before each comment; continue in item 73 and use additional sheets if necessary.)

NORMAL	ABNORMAL	(Check each item in appropriate column; enter "N. E." if not evaluated)
		18. HEAD, FACE, NECK, AND SCALP
		19. NOSE
		20. SINUSES
		21. MOUTH AND THROAT
		22. EARS—GENERAL (Ref. to aud. par. 3) (Auditory acuity under items 70 and 71)
		23. DRUMS (*Perforation*)
		24. EYES—GENERAL (Visual acuity and refraction under items 70 and 71)
		25. OPHTHALMOSCOPIC
		26. PUPILS (*Equality and reaction*)
		27. OCULAR MOTILITY (*Associated parallel movements, nystagmus*)
		28. LUNGS AND CHEST (*Include breasts*)
		29. HEART (*Thrust, size, rhythm, sounds*)
		30. VASCULAR SYSTEM (*Varicosities, etc.*)
		31. ABDOMEN AND VISCERA (*Include hernia*)
		32. ANUS AND RECTUM (*Hemorrhoids, fistulae*) (*Prostate if indicated*)
		33. ENDOCRINE SYSTEM
		34. G-U SYSTEM
		35. UPPER EXTREMITIES (*Strength, range of motion*)
		36. FEET
		37. LOWER EXTREMITIES (*Except feet*) (*Strength, range of motion*)
		38. SPINE, OTHER MUSCULOSKELETAL
		39. IDENTIFYING BODY MARKS, SCARS, TATTOOS
		40. SKIN, LYMPHATICS
		41. NEUROLOGIC (*Equilibrium tests under item 78*)
		42. PSYCHIATRIC (*Specify any personality deviation*)
Females only		(Check how done) 43. PELVIC ☐ VAGINAL ☐ RECTAL

180 lbs. at. 219 505-207

(Continue in item 73)

44. DENTAL (*Place appropriate symbols above or below number of upper and lower teeth, respectively*)
O—Restorable teeth — X—Missing teeth — (A × B)—Fixed bridge, brackets to include abutments
/—Nonrestorable teeth — XXX—Replaced by dentures

RIGHT	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	LEFT
	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	

REMARKS AND ADDITIONAL DENTAL DEFECTS AND DISEASES

Meets dental standards

LABORATORY FINDINGS

45. URINALYSIS: SP. GR. 1.012			46. CHEST X-RAY (*Place, date, film number, result*)	47. SEROLOGY (*Specify test used and result*)
ALBUMIN	SUGAR	MICROSCOPIC		
Neg.	Neg.	Neg.	051064C Neg.	Neg.
48. EKG: within normal limits	49. BLOOD TYPE AND RH FACTOR		50. OTHER TESTS	

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MEASUREMENTS AND OTHER FINDINGS

51. HEIGHT	52. WEIGHT	53. COLOR HAIR	54. COLOR EYES	55. BUILD: SLENDER ☐ MEDIUM ☒ HEAVY ☐ OBESE ☐	56. TEMP.
71	190	B rown	Brown		98.6

57. BLOOD PRESSURE (*Arm at heart level*)

SITTING	SYS. 130 / DIAS. 80	RECUMBENT	SYS. / DIAS.	STANDING (5 min.)	SYS. / DIAS.	**58. PULSE** (*Arm at heart level*)	

SITTING	AFTER EXERCISE	2 MIN. AFTER	RECUMBENT	AFTER STANDING 3 MIN.
88				

59. DISTANT VISION		60. REFRACTION		61. .62m NEAR VISION	
RIGHT 20/ 20	CORR. TO 20/ 20	BY	CX	20-6	CORR. TO BY
LEFT 20/ 40	CORR. TO 20/ 20 Lenses	S.	CX	20-6	CORR. TO BY

62. HETEROPHORIA (*Specify distance*) ES° EX° R. H. L. H. PRISM DIV. PRISM CONV. PC PD

63. ACCOMMODATION	64. COLOR VISION (*Test used and result*)	65. DEPTH PERCEPTION (*Test used and score*)	UNCORRECTED / CORRECTED
RIGHT LEFT	1946 AOC 18 X 18		

66. FIELD OF VISION	67. NIGHT VISION (*Test used and score*)	68. RED LENS	69. INTRAOCULAR TENSION

70. HEARING

RIGHT WV /15 SV /15

LEFT WV 15 /15 SV 15 /15

71. AUDIOMETER

	250 Hz	500 Hz	1000 Hz	2000 Hz	3000 Hz	4000 Hz	6000 Hz	
RIGHT	30	15	10	10		10	10	
LEFT	30	15	10	10		10	10	

72. PSYCHOLOGICAL AND PSYCHOMOTOR (*Tests used and score*)

73. NOTES (*Continued*) **AND SIGNIFICANT OR INTERVAL HISTORY**

Some redness left eye - head cold

Rx 1. Nose drops ℞ q 4 h
2. B enadryl a c - hs - Ephedrin a c
3. Sulfa T q 2 h on tongue
4. Mild Silver Protenate ℞ q Hsq4h

(*Use additional sheets of plain paper if necessary*)

74. SUMMARY OF DEFECTS AND DIAGNOSES (*Enter numerals which correspond with item numbers*)

conjunctivitis

75. RECOMMENDATIONS FURTHER SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS INDICATED (*Specify*)

CLINICAL SANITATION

76. PHYSICAL PROFILE

P	U	L	H	E	S

77. EXAMINEE (*Check*)
☒ IS
☐ IS NOT QUALIFIED FOR Strenuous Physical Exertion and use of Firearms.

PHYSICAL CATEGORY

78. IF NOT QUALIFIED, LIST DISQUALIFYING DEFECTS BY ITEM NUMBER

A	B	C	E

79. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN	SIGNATURE
G. R. JOHNSTON, CAPT, MC, USN	S/ G. R. Johnston
80. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN	**SIGNATURE**
81. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF DENTIST OR PHYSICIAN (*Indicate which*)	**SIGNATURE**
	S/ J. E. O'Malley E.C.
82. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF REVIEWING OFFICER OR APPROVING AUTHORITY	**SIGNATURE** / **NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS**
BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS	

MENT PRINTING OFFICE : 1953—O-243413 16-62288-1

BRANIGAN, WILLIAM A.

ATTACHMENT TO STANDARD FORM 88
(Revised July 25, 1956)

Report of Medical Examination

FOR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE OF MEDICAL EXAMINER:

The following portions of the attached examination report form need not be completed:

2	67	
3	68	
11	69	
14	71	(Item 71, audiometer examinations,
17		should be afforded whenever possible.)
62		
65	72	

Item 48, the electrocardiogram, is not required unless the examinee is over 35 years of age or unless other examination indicates such is desirable.

If the examinee is an applicant, the Chest X-ray and blood type and Rh factor (Items 46 and 49) are not necessary unless the facilities for affording same are readily available to the examiner.

FOR ALL EXAMINEES, WHETHER CLERICAL OR SPECIAL AGENT APPLICANTS OR EMPLOYEES:

The medical examiner should answer the following question:

Examinee is qualified for strenuous physical exertion. (Designate which)
(is or is not)

FOR ALL MALE EMPLOYEES OR APPLICANTS:

The medical examiner is requested to answer the following:

1. Does examinee have any defects restricting or prohibiting his participation in defensive tactics and dangerous assignments which might entail the practical use of firearms? ☐ Yes ☑ No

2. Does examinee have any defects prohibiting safe operation of motor vehicles?
☐ Yes ☑ No

If answer is "yes" please specify.

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT ALL STATEMENTS IN ITEMS 59, 61, 64 AND 70 PERTAINING TO VISUAL ACUITY, COLOR VISION AND HEARING BE COMPLETED IN DETAIL.

G. R. Johnston
(Signature of Medical Examiner)

MAR 14 1958
(Date)

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FD-253 (11-22-54)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

RE: SA William A. Branigan, Jr.
(type or print plainly)

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of $10, payable to the Assistant Director, Administrative Division, FBI, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for a continuous period of two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Assistant Director of the Administrative Division of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Assistant Director of the Administrative Division, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $10,000. The liability of the fund shall not under any circumstances exceed the amount of monies in the fund at the time any liability shall occur. The following person is designated as my beneficiary for FBI Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name LOIS HALLENBECK BRANIGAN Relationship WIFE Date 2-20-58

Address 2317 N. KENTUCKY ST., ARLINGTON, VA.

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing $1500 death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in the line of duty.

Name LOIS HALLENBECK BRANIGAN Relationship WIFE Date 2-20-58

Address 2317 N. KENTUCKY ST ARLINGTON, VA.

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Very truly yours,

W. A. Branigan

Special Agent

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: February 19, 1958

FROM : A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

ATTITUDE

The purpose of this memorandum is to report that the captioned employee reported for work on 2-18-58, notwithstanding the extremely hazardous travel conditions. In accordance with the Director's instructions this is to be made a matter of record in the employee's personnel file and considered as a COMMENDATION.

On Saturday, 2-15-58, the Washington, D. C., area was blanketed by fourteen inches of snow as a result of a storm which the Weather Bureau termed the worst that has struck this area in twenty-two years. Thereafter, high winds and near zero temperatures set in for several days making travel conditions extremely hazardous.

On Monday, 2-17-58, in recognition of the hardships and hazards that Federal Government employees would face in coming to work, a White House announcement was made encouraging such employees to stay home and take a day of annual leave. During the late afternoon of 2-17-58, a further official announcement emanated from the White House instructing that all Government employees who were not considered essential would be excused from work on 2-18-58 on Administrative Leave.

The captioned employee considered his work and his services to the FBI so essential that in spite of the foregoing announcement he took it upon himself to come to work and perform his regularly assigned duties. This is considered a highly exemplary attitude on the part of this employee and his actions in this instance certainly demonstrate his devotion to duty and the fact that he places his employment with the FBI above his personal convenience.

RECOMMENDATION:

That this memorandum be placed in the employee's personnel file.

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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

2-14-58

I certify that I have ~~received~~ returned the following Government property for official use:

2 keys to 1527

1 key to 1529

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Key to Room 1647

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Very truly yours,

Wm. A. Branigan

William A. Branigan

FD-185 (Rev. 12-13-56)

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

Name of Employee: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

Where Assigned: Domestic Intelligence (Division) Espionage (Section, [redacted])

Official Position Title: SUPERVISORY SPECIAL AGENT (Section Chief) GS-15

Rating Period: from April 1, 1957 to March 31, 1958

ADJECTIVE RATING: EXCELLENT
Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

Employee's Initials WQB

	Signature	Title	Date
Rated by:	Donald E. Moore	Inspector	4-8-58
Reviewed by:	[signature]	Assistant Director	4-8-58
Rating Approved by:	[signature]	Assistant Director	APR. 24 1958

TYPE OF REPORT 319505-208

(X) Official
(X) Annual

( ) Administrative
( ) 60-Day
( ) Transfer
( ) Separation from Service
( ) Special

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PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD-185)

Name of Employee WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN Title Supervisory Special Agent (Section Chief) GS-15

Rating Period: from 4-1-57 to 3-31-58

RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST

Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared. Rate items as follows:

+ Outstanding (exceeding excellent and deserving of special commendation).
E Excellent.
✓ Satisfactory (good or very good).
− Unsatisfactory.
O No opportunity to appraise performance during rating period.

Guide for determining adjective rating:

1. "Outstanding" adjective rating requires (A) that all rated elements be "+" and (B) that each and every rated element be factually justified by narrative detail on reverse of Form FD-185.
2. "Excellent," "Satisfactory" or "Unsatisfactory" adjective ratings will depend upon the composite result of evaluating all rated elements rather than following any mechanical formulas; however, for an employee to be rated "Excellent" he must not be rated unsatisfactory on any performance evaluation factors on the rating guide and check-list and must be rated "Excellent" or "Outstanding" on the majority of such rating factors. Good judgment must be exercised to insure that adjective rating is reasonable in the light of elements rated.
   A. Any element rated "Unsatisfactory" must be supported by narrative comments.
   B. An "official" adjective rating of "Unsatisfactory" must comply with the requirements described on the reverse of form FD-185.

+ (1) Personal appearance.
+ (2) Personality and effectiveness of his personal contacts.
+ (3) Attitude (including dependability, cooperativeness, loyalty, enthusiasm, amenability and willingness to equitably share work load).
+ (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina).
+ (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity.
+ (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required.
+ (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions, ability to define objectives.
+ (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility.
+ (9) Planning ability and its application to the work.
E (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail.
+ (11) Industry, including energetic, consistent application to duties.
+ (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control.
+ (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and "know how" of application.
O (14) Technical or mechanical skills.
+ (15) Investigative ability and results:
   + (a) Internal security cases
   O (b) Criminal or general investigative cases
   O (c) Fugitive cases
   O (d) Applicant cases
   O (e) Accounting cases
O (16) Physical surveillance ability.
✓ (17) Firearms ability.
O (18) Development of informants and sources of information.
+ (19) Reporting ability:
   O (a) Investigative reports
   O (b) Summary reports
   + (c) Memos, letters, wires
   (Consider: + conciseness; + clarity; + organization; + thoroughness; + accuracy; + adequacy and pertinency of leads; + administrative detail.)
O (20) Performance as a witness.
E (21) Executive ability:
   + (a) Leadership
   + (b) Ability to handle personnel
   E (c) Planning
   E (d) Making decisions
   + (e) Assignment of work
   + (f) Training subordinates
   + (g) Devising procedures
   + (h) Emotional stability
   + (i) Promoting high morale
   + (j) Getting results
F (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments:
   E (a) As leader
   E (b) As participant
+ (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement.
+ (24) Ability to work under pressure.
+ (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate:
   + Dictation ability
   + capability for additional responsibility

A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as Resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.): Section Chief

B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker): administrator

C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)
(2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)

D. 1. Has employee had an abnormal sick leave record during rating period? no 2. Has employee used more sick leave during rating period than earned during such period? _____ (If answer to either question is "Yes," explain in narrative comments.)

E. Is employee qualified to operate a motor vehicle incidental to his official duties? [X] Yes [ ] No
If answer is "yes," personnel file must reflect the following: (a) Has valid State or local operator's license for type vehicle he is to use. (b) Is physically fit to drive. (c) Past safe driving record OK or has passed Bureau road test.

ADJECTIVE RATING: EXCELLENT (Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory) EMPLOYEE'S INITIALS WAB

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FBI AUTOMATIC DECLASSIFICATION GUIDE
DATE 11-01-2011

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~~HEREIN IS UNCLASSIFIED EXCEPT~~
~~WHERE SHOWN OTHERWISE~~

WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

Mr. Branigan is a very personable individual, is always very well-groomed, has a good speaking voice, and makes a very effective impression as a representative of the Bureau. During the rating period Mr. Branigan has continued as chief of the Espionage Section in the Domestic Intelligence Division and has supervised some of the most complicated investigative matters handled by the Bureau, including all types of espionage and intelligence investigations. By the very capable manner in which he has supervised these matters, he has clearly shown the ability to handle the most complicated investigations and the definite ability to participate in or direct raids and other dangerous assignments.

Mr. Branigan is intensely interested in his work and has an outstanding knowledge of intelligence work. He has the ability to direct personnel, administer broad programs, and get desired results. He is a very hard worker, sets an outstanding example for those working under him, and inspires enthusiasm and ingenuity in his section.

(U) By letter dated December 5, 1957, Mr. Branigan was commended by the Director for the direction given by him in the investigation and conviction of [redacted] a Soviet espionage agent. He was also commended on February 19, 1958, for his highly exemplary attitude in reporting for work on February 18, 1958, notwithstanding the extremely hazardous travel conditions which existed on this date.

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Mr. Branigan is a very loyal and capable member of the FBI, is available for assignment wherever his services may be needed, and can be relied upon to do an excellent job in any assignment he may be given.

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Tab B

WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

PART II SPECIFIC COMMENTS

1. ***Justification for any Minus Ratings Given*** - not applicable

2. ***Experience and Ability as Inspector's Aide***

77 Mr. Branigan has not served as an Inspector's Aide but his work as section chief
NA has shown that he is qualified along inspection lines.

3. ***Participation in Informant Programs*** - Mr. Branigan has effectively supervised programs developing informants in intelligence matters.

4. ***Testifying Experience and Ability*** - not applicable

5. ***Disciplinary Action***

On January 3, 1958, Mr. Branigan was censured for his failure to discover a number of non-substantive errors in correspondence approved by him. This was fully considered in connection with the over-all rating and also in the individual ratings on the Rating Guide and Check List.

6. ***Accounting Information*** - not applicable

7. ***Police Instruction*** - not applicable

8. ***Sound Training*** - not applicable

9. ***Resident Agents*** - not applicable

10. ***Foreign Language Ability*** -While Mr. Branigan studied French in school, he has not used this language and, therefore, has no degree of proficiency in it at this time.

11. ***Current Suitability for Administrative Advancement***

Mr. Branigan is interested in and capable of further advancement. He has very competently handled his duties as section chief, has demonstrated his ability to solve problems, has assisted in formulating policy, and has very clearly shown definite administrative ability.

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FD-207 (Rev. 11-1-57)
STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: May 5, 1958

FROM : A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: William A. Branigan, Jr.
(Employee's present payroll name)
Domestic Intelligence
(Division)

PAYROLL NAME *(List as desired on payroll)*

ADDRESS AND PHONE CHANGE

Present phone number (city)	Present address
KE 8-7191	2317 N. Kentucky St., Arlington, Va.

NOTE: *(The following must be executed in reporting* BIRTHS *or* CHANGES IN MARITAL STATUS.*)*

Has spouse ever been an employee of the Bureau?
1. ☐ Yes ☐ Present ☐ Former 2. ☒ No

MARITAL STATUS

Married to - Show full *(maiden)* name of spouse	Date and place of marriage

Data re spouse

Birth date ____ Birthplace ____

Legal Residence ____ Occupation ____

Name, address, and telephone number of person to be notified in case of emergency

BIRTHS

Girl named	Boy named [redacted]
Born on [redacted]	Birthplace Georgetown University Hospital, Washington, D. C. 219 505-209
To employee and (Name of spouse) Mrs. Lois Hallenbeck Branigan (Madeline)	This is their 5th child

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Flowers are being sent by [redacted] Espionage. It is recommended that a letter of congratulations be sent to Mr. and Mrs. Branigan.

May 8, 1958

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Branigan:

On this happy occasion, I would like to extend my sincere congratulations to Mrs. Branigan and you on the arrival of your son, [redacted] b6

It is my hope the future will hold in store for your little boy an abundance of all the good things life has to offer.

Sincerely,

J. Edgar Hoover

MAILED 2
MAY 8 1958
COMM - FBI

1 - Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)

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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

4-21-58

I certify that I have [redacted] the following Government property for official use:
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3 MAY 1 1958

Very truly yours,

W. A. Branigan

William A. Branigan

July 14, 1958

PERSONAL

Dear Mr. Branigan:

I want to offer you my warmest congratulations and best wishes on your Seventeenth Anniversary with the Federal Bureau of Investigation. I am mindful of the real contributions rendered through the efforts of dedicated and loyal employees, such as you, and I hope it will be possible for you to remain in the Bureau for many more years.

Sincerely,

/s/ J. Edgar Hoover

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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By Special Messenger

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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Very truly yours,

(Written Signature) William A. Branigan

(Typed Signature) William A. Branigan

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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

I certify that I have received the following Government property for official use:
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11th St. Court Parking Space 76

RETURNED
Old Post Office Parking Permit, Space 76

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The Government property which you hereby acknowledge is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care of it and returning it when its use has been completed. DO NOT MARK OR WRITE ON IT OR MUTILATE IT IN ANY WAY.

NOT RECORDED
9 JUL 9 1958

Very truly yours,

(Written Signature) W. A. Branigan

(Typed Signature) W. A. BRANIGAN

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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

6-10-58

I certify that I have received the following Government property for official use:

~~returned~~

U.S.D.J. Garage Parking Sticker, Space 88 Alt.

RETURNED

Parking Permit Space 88 Alt.

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Very truly yours,

W. A. Branigan

W. A. Branigan

September 16, 1958

PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Branigan:

The inspection of the Domestic Intelligence Division has disclosed your failure to adequately carry out your supervisory responsibilities. On September 12, 1958, a Special Agent under your supervision was engaged in certain activity inconsistent with his official-duty status even though explicit instructions had been issued prohibiting such activity. Although this dereliction was primarily the fault of the agent involved, it would not have occurred if you had been sufficiently alert and aggressive in the performance of your duties.

You have demonstrated a flagrant disregard of your official obligations and, accordingly, you are being placed in a probationary status. It is pointed out that this is an interim action and further consideration will be given to your case as soon as the final inspection report is received.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

TJN:dmb (8)
1 - Movement
1 - Personnel Actions
1 - Domestic Intelligence Division Personnel File
1 - Mr. Tamm (Inspector's Aide) (Personal Attention)
1 - Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)

Mr. Branigan should be supervised closely. In 90 days a special performance rating report should be submitted together with a recommendation as to whether he should be removed from probation.

Based on memo Edwards to Mohr 9/14/58 HLE:bak.

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A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: EARLY MORNING SPOT CHECK OF
AGENT SUPERVISORS DOMESTIC
INTELLIGENCE DIVISION INSPECTION

(commencing 8 a. m.)

Prior to 9 a.m. 9/12/58, inspection staff made surprise spot check of Domestic Intelligence Division working areas detecting 9 agent supervisors who had already signed in thus indicating their official day had begun but were observed at their desks engaging in activities which appeared to be other than official duties, including: (a) 6 who appeared to be reading newspapers; (b) 1 was reading "U. S. News and World Reports," admittedly not an official assignment; (c) 1 was in process of doing something with some personal correspondence; (d) 1 was devoting attention to FBIRA golf score card representing golf tournament he had participated in preceding afternoon and was not engaged in any official work. A tenth agent supervisor was reading newspaper but section chief confirmed this was an official assignment. An eleventh agent had not yet signed in but was discovered at the desk of one of those who was signed in and on official duty, having gone there to borrow the latter's newspaper to look at the sports section, hence was partially responsible for interrupting the official time of that agent. Separate memoranda submitted on all culpable agents with recommendations for appropriate administrative action. This memorandum covers the responsibility of Assistant Director Belmont, his Front Office Inspectors D. E. Moore and J. A. Sizoo, and Section Chiefs F. J. Baumgardner (Internal Security), J. F. Bland (Subversive Control), R. R. Roach (Liaison), W. A. Branigan (Espionage) and S. B. Donahoe (Nationalities Intelligence), such agent supervisors having been assigned to these sections.

COMMENTS OF ASSISTANT DIRECTOR BELMONT:

Mr. Belmont's individual recommendations on the agent supervisors discovered during the spot check are in their individual memos. It is significant that the most serious action recommended by Mr. Belmont in even the most flagrant case was a letter of censure. Mr. Belmont states he regards regulations of the Bureau as rules to be strictly followed and upon learning of the results of the spot check on the morning of 9/12/58 he held a conference of all supervisors in his division and again made that fact unmistakably clear to them.

The Inspector reminded Mr. Belmont that the Director by memo to all Bureau officials 5/19/55 referred to a case of a Special Agent Supervisor who had signed in for

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duty and was observed reading a newspaper which was not one of his assignments and since he was receiving premium pay for overtime his actions were definitely improper. The Director instructed all division heads to insure that all agent personnel were advised of the impropriety of such actions; that any deviation would be dealt with vigorously; and division heads would be held personally accountable for full compliance by all employees assigned under their supervision. Inspector asked Mr. Belmont what action had been taken by him to insure compliance with those instructions. Mr. Belmont stated employees had been advised time and time again of those instructions; that spot checks have been made by the section chiefs in the mornings and evenings, also by the Front Office Inspectors; Mr. Belmont stated he had personally made spot checks although he was "frank to say that these have been in the evening rather than before 9 o'clock in the morning."

SURVEY BY INSPECTOR TO DETERMINE EXTENT OF DIVISION SPOT CHECKS:

Examination of Domestic Intelligence Division sign-in registers for 2-week period 8/25 through 9/5/58 reflected agent supervisors in Domestic Intelligence Division signed in before 8 a. m. 69% of the time.

Review of registers for past six months reflects Assistant Director Belmont, Front Office Supervisor Cleveland and Number One Man Inspector Sizoo, as well as Section Chief Bland did not sign in on any occasion during the six months prior to 8 a. m. Section Chiefs Roach and Donahoe signed in only once prior to 8 a. m. in this period; Section Chief Branigan and Inspector Moore signed in only twice before 8 a. m.; and Section Chiefs W. C. Sullivan and F. D. Baumgardner signed in only 4 and 7 times, respectively, before 8 a. m. Obviously, if the past six months period can be considered as representative then any checking done by Assistant Director, Inspectors or Section Chiefs has in the main been confined to a period after 8 a. m. Certainly where the pattern of overtime of the agent supervisors in the division shows that a majority of their sign-in time is prior to 8 a. m. the key executives in the division have not been alert to their obvious responsibility of spot checking during those earlier times to insure that the overtime for which these agent supervisors are claiming credit is productive and not being abused. The abuses discovered during the spot check of 9/12/58 (and it should be noted that this was during a current inspection of the division) would reasonably permit the inference that the practice is not uncommon. Certainly a serious question arises as to how much of the overtime of the agent supervisors in the Domestic Intelligence Division is productive and as to how many agent supervisory personnel could be released without necessitating the productive overtime increasing beyond what the record overtime is at present.

I think this is an understatement. I believe this practice of claiming phony overtime has been the custom rather than the exception. "

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That Assistant Director Belmont be severely censured and placed on probation pending the completion of the divisional inspection at which time action against him will be re-evaluated in the light of the complete inspection findings; such action is to be based upon Mr. Belmont's obvious failure to keep alert to the possibility of abuses such as were discovered, to insure adequate spot checks are being made and further because of Mr. Belmont's palliating recommendations against the culpable agents in this instance. (In making this recommendation the Inspector realizes that the Director has recently indicated that there is to be no more probation on divisional heads but it is felt the "interim probation" in this instance is justified.)

2. That Inspectors Sizoo and Moore be severely censured and placed on probation for their failure to insure through appropriate spot checks that the abuses discovered were prevented.

3. That Section Chiefs Baumgardner, Bland, Branigan, Donahoe and Roach in whose sections were discovered these abuses, be severely censured and placed on probation for their failure to be alert to this and to have prevented same by regular sufficiently frequent spot checks.

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Memo 9-26-58 JAS:LL

4. That Assistant Director Belmont be instructed to immediately arrange for an adequate sufficiently frequent and regular system of spot checks, both morning and evening, to insure that all personnel on duty are engaging in essential productive work; that such a schedule be presented for prior Bureau approval; that the Training and Inspection Division have responsibility for making appropriate spot checks to insure it is being carried out.

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I concur.

A separate memorandum is being submitted covering the subject of "pattern of overtime" both in the field and Seat of Government, and appropriate corrective measures including an SAC Letter and instructions for the inspection staff will be submitted.

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This sort of thing could endanger the "fringe benefits" program

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Tolson

I agree. It is a shame-ful condition & one which could greatly embarrass the FBI but Belmont & his assistants don't seem to realize

November 12, 1958

PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Branigan:

The number and variety of weaknesses in the Espionage Section disclosed by the inspection raise a serious question as to your competence as Section Chief. The findings were individually brought to your attention during the inspection and you were given full opportunity to submit your answers. In addition, the Inspector in Charge discussed with you in complete detail the numerous weaknesses chargeable to you and gave you specific suggestions and instructions for implementing the corrective action taken.

Your Section handles some of the most important work of the Bureau in the intelligence field. I am aware of numerous significant accomplishments creditable to the Section; nevertheless, the need for intensification and fully exploiting the potential in this field leaves no room whatever for weak management such as that disclosed during the inspection. 219505 212

In view of the foregoing, you are being retained on probation. I want to make it unmistakably clear that you are being given just one more chance to demonstrate beyond any question that you are fully capable of providing the type of firm, tight, close administrative management which will completely guarantee the elimination and prevention of future weaknesses in all phases of your Section's operations and also insure development of the maximum potential expected from our responsibilities in the espionage field.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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1 - [redacted] b6
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1 - Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention) (See Note on page 2)

Based on memo Edward to Mohr 11-11-58 HLE: jlj

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Mr. William A. Branigan
Washington, D. C.

NOTE: Mr. Branigan should be supervised closely. In 90 days submit a special performance rating report concerning him, together with an appropriate recommendation regarding his removal from probation.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: 10/24/58

FROM : A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: RELIEF SUPERVISORS,
FRONT OFFICE,
DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

Inspector J. L. Edwards

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In his memorandum of 10/10/58, Inspector Edwards recommended that this Division obtain prior approval for relief supervisors to be used in the front office, with the understanding that the use of relief men would be kept to a minimum. In keeping with this recommendation, approval is requested for the following:

1. DESK OF ASSISTANT DIRECTOR.
In the absence of Assistant Director Belmont, Inspector J. A. Sizoo will take over the desk.
In Sizoo's absence, Inspector D. E. Moore will handle it.

2. DESK OF BRANCH CHIEF, INTERNAL SECURITY-LIAISON BRANCH.
In the absence of Inspector Sizoo, it is recommended that Section Chief F. J. Baumgardner of the Internal Security Section, handle this desk.
If Baumgardner is not available, Section Chief J. F. Bland of the Subversive Control Section is recommended.
These two Section Chiefs supervise investigative operations which comprise the bulk of the material emanating from the Internal Security-Liaison Branch.

3. DESK OF BRANCH CHIEF, ESPIONAGE-CENTRAL RESEARCH BRANCH.
In the absence of Inspector Moore it is recommended that Section Chief W. A. Branigan of the Espionage Section take over.
If Branigan is not available, it is recommended that Section Chief S. B. Donahoe, of the Nationalities Intelligence Section, handle this desk.
These two Section Chiefs supervise investigative operations which comprise the bulk of the material emanating from this branch.

If you approve, the above will be put into effect.

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cc Mr. Belmont
Mr. Sizoo
Mr. Moore

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

RE: SA William A. Branigan
(Type or print plainly)

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of $10, payable to the Assistant Director, Administrative Division, FBI, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for a continuous period of two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Assistant Director of the Administrative Division of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Assistant Director of the Administrative Division, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $10,000. The liability of the fund shall not under any circumstances exceed the amount of monies in the fund at the time any liability shall occur. The following person is designated as my beneficiary for FBI Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name	Relationship	Date
Lois Hallenbeck Branigan	Wife	10-17-58

Address: 2317 North Kentucky Street, Arlington, Virginia

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing $1500 death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in the line of duty.

Name	Relationship	Date
Lois Hallenbeck Branigan	Wife	10-17-58

Address: 2317 North Kentucky Street, Arlington, Virginia

Very truly yours,
W. A. Branigan

W. A. Branigan
Special Agent

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Very truly yours, 3-M

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(Written Signature) W. A. Branigan

(Typed Signature) W. A. Branigan

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5. Employee's name (and social security account number when appropriate) — 6. Grade and salary

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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The Government property which you hereby acknowledge is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care of it and returning it when its use has been completed. DO NOT MARK OR WRITE ON IT OR MUTILATE IT IN ANY WAY.

Very truly yours,

(Written Signature) William A. Branigan

(Typed Signature) William A. Branigan

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Mr. Belmont
Mr. Mohr
Mr. Nease
Mr. Parsons
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Tamm
Mr. Trotter
Mr. W.C.Sullivan
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Miss Gandy

November 17, 1958

PERSONAL

Ingram
Tarbet
W. L. Edwards
J. B. Adams

Mr. John Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hoover:

It was a profound shock to receive your letter of November 12, 1958, continuing me on probation. I want you to know, Sir, how deeply I regret the loss of your confidence.

At the same time, Mr. Hoover, in so far as words will express I want to assure you of my determination to win back the confidence lost by me. Actions speak louder than words and I know you want results. Right now, Sir, I and the Espionage Section are going about to get those results. We trust that in the next letter from you we will have earned back that which was lost and more too.

Sincerely,

W. A. Branigan

(W. A. Branigan)

(CHIEF - ESPIONAGE SECTION
DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIV.)

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Name: *William A. Branigan* *Title:* *Chief, Espionage Section*

Payroll #: *07804* *Grade:* *GS-15 at $13,370*

EOD: *7-14-41* *Not on Probation*

Nonveteran

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR A. H. BELMONT. Mr. Branigan has been Chief of the Espionage Section since 10-23-51. This section supervises espionage and intelligence investigations involving the Soviet Union and most of (U) *the satellite countries. Mr. Branigan has an outstanding knowledge of espionage work, is a capable administrator, is aggressive, personable and makes a fine impression as a Bureau representative. He has the ability to resolve complicated matters and this, coupled with his espionage background, enables him to direct the complicated investigations handled in his section in a thorough manner. He is in all respects loyal and capable. Mr. Branigan has not been the subject of administrative action since his last performance rating.*

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Rating: *Excellent*

INSPECTOR H. L. EDWARDS: **On 11/7/58 Mr. Branigan was interviewed by Edwards and No. 1 Man J. B. Adams to discuss with him the findings concerning his section; to impress upon him the imperative urgency of implementing corrective action already instituted; and to ascertain his general reaction and the constructive nature of his outlook toward the future, especially as it concerns his apparent qualifications to continue as Section Chief. Mr. Branigan has the personal qualifications, experience, interest and dedication to head the Espionage Section. The fact cannot be escaped, however, that his section was one of two (Liaison being the other) where the greatest number and variety of weaknesses existed. Some of these were minor, some were substantive and others were major. All of them were in the nature of administrative weaknesses, some reflecting on Branigan's personal administration, others attributable to the general type of administrative weakness which resulted from divisional**

policy and which primarily was the responsibility of the division head.

Mr. Branigan expressed great concern over the findings and sincerely seemed to be fully mindful of the seriousness of them. He stated, for example, that it was stupid for him to have requisitioned two safe file cabinets and have the Inspector on a spot check find that the request was unjustified because two such cabinets were already in the section. It was inexcuseable for him to have had a security check delinquency applicable to his own desk. Mr. Branigan indicated that he has since installed a system for insuring a conscious check of the office space security by the last man leaving at night and since instituting this, no security violations have been noted. The time and attendance registers are being completely checked by clerk daily to prevent excessive overtime errors which had been discovered. Mr. Branigan, his No. 1 Man, and the Supervisors in Charge are all now making spot case reviews. A system of field folders, so forth, has been set up.

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Mr. Branigan and case supervisor Whitson went to New York 11/6/58 to confer with the New York personnel on the [redacted] and Miller potential espionage cases. Mr. Branigan felt the trip was very worthwhile (as Mr. Whitson also indicated separately to me); that they settled many things by an intensive analysis and exchange of ideas on these cases and they are definitely setting about intensifying these and similar cases in the hope that it will produce some real results.

Mr. Branigan was questioned regarding his attitude as concerns the responsibilities of a case supervisor in vigorously following the field and aggressively fixing responsibility where warranted and recommending administrative action to prevent delays, so forth. He stated that he agrees now with the findings in the cases in his section indicating instances where such supervision had not been exercised. He assured us that this has been corrected and will be watched in the future.

We discussed with Mr. Branigan the excellent annual performance rating of 3/31/58 that he had prepared on former supervisor Deegan in which he had endeavored to evaluate some subsequently mentioned weaknesses of Deegan merely by giving him checkmarks on 2 factors in the rating guide rather than making any mention of these matters in the narrative comments. It was explained to him that the check marks indicate satisfactory (from "good" through "very good") and do not in themselves imply any weaknesses such as existed in Deegan's case. He will be governed accordingly in the future.

Edwards specifically discussed with Mr. Branigan the fact that the Espionage Section is one of the key sections of the division and holds one of the biggest potentials in the security field. Whether or not this potential is fully exploited will primarily depend upon Mr. Branigan as Section Chief. He should make it his business to constantly

probe the work of his supervisors to insure that they are just not handling a volume of paper but are exercising their imagination and ingenuity and endeavoring to squeeze every bit of potential out of their cases and programs. Several examples were mentioned as possibilities along this line and Mr. Branigan agreed to look into them.

Related to this same point, Inspector Edwards told Mr. Bran igan that he should constantly evaluate and appraise his staff of personnel to make sure that each and every one of them is capable, dedicated, enthusiastic, and really giving his desk the imaginative attention that these responsibilities require. Mr. Branigan was told that it did not appear to be sufficient to merely have the supervisor keep his mail current and put in an amount of overtime sufficient to keep his desk clean. The supervisors should be expected to come up with suggestions, new programs, new ideas, in order that the Bureau could be sure that it is getting the maximum out of the section. Mr. Branigan mentioned that he periodically has gotten his men together and held sessions where they "kick ideas around" to try to come up with something new. Edwards replied that he thought this was indicative of the right spirit but to be really effective Mr. Branigan should follow through and require each man to come up with something specific otherwise when the conference is over the pressure of current everyday work will naturally cause them to put the project in the background.

Mr. Branigan felt the inspection had been constructive and he seemed sincere in stating that he was trying and would continue to exert his efforts to implement the corrective and strengthening measures. He voluntarily expressed great concern over the fact that some of the abuses disclosed in the "newspaper incident" had been in his section and he stated it had disillusioned him because he was confident the men were all visably engaged. He now realizes that this gives tangible proof of the fact that such things cannot be taken for granted.

Finally, I talked to Mr. Branigan about his rather consistently higher than average overtime (for the past year he has averaged 3 hours per day or more in the monthly tabulations, whereas the divisional average has been in the neighborhood of 2' 20" per day.) I mentioned that the aides had observed considerable mail accumulated on Mr. Branigan's desk almost every time they were in his office and Mr. Branigan admitted this. I told Mr. Branigan I was not interested in reducing the overtime merely for its sake alone but I was interested in the possibility that this overtime and the heavy mail on his desk might be an indication of the need for some personal streamlining so that he would have more opportunity to get out and around the section and closer to the operations. I suggested that he should be able to delegate portions of the less important signature mail to his No. 1 Man and possibly some of it to the Supervisors in Charge. The same thing might apply to much of the incoming mail. Mr. Branigan stated that he felt definitely that possibilities existed along these lines. He commented very favorably on the mail flow survey of signature mail made during the inspection and we looked at

the results of it as it pertained to the various Section Chiefs and agreed that there seemed definite possibilities for some refinements. I told Mr. Branigan that if categories of signature mail were delegated to his No. 1 Man or the SIC's, he would have to impress upon them their responsibility for being constantly alert to detect examples of mail in those categories which, because of some peculiar circumstance, he should see; further, that he would have to periodically spot check their handling of this mail. (I do not have any proof that Mr. Branigan is a slow worker or a low producer. He does impress me as being deliberate and somewhat on the cautious, meticulous side. It is certain that he will have to streamline his own operations in order to be able to effectively handle the key responsibilities he will have as Section Chief.)

Evaluations and recommendations on Mr. Branigan are incorporated in the inspection summary.

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STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Director, FBI

DATE: December 8, 1958

FROM : A. H. BELMONT

SUBJECT: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
(Employee)

DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION
(Division)

ILLNESSES

Nature of illness: *(Indicate extent of, description, and current condition under Remarks)*

☐ Accident ☐ Injury ☐ Disease ☐ Operation *(Date of surgery and postoperative condition must be indicated under Remarks)*

Date sick leave commenced	Date ceased active duty	Expected date of return to duty

Confined at: ☐ Hospital ☐ Residence

Address:

Remarks:

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DEATHS

☒ Father ☐ Mother ☐ Spouse ☐ Brother ☐ Sister ☐ Son ☐ Daughter ☐ Other

WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN, SR. _____
(Name of deceased) (Relationship)

Date and place of death

12/5/58 Albany, New York

Remarks:

Wire of condolence from the Director went forward Saturday, December 6, 1958, to Mr. Branigan at his mother's residence: 377 Elk Street, Albany, New York. Mr. Branigan will remain there until approximately December 11, 1958.

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Wire sent 12-6-58 mcf

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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Very truly yours,

(Written Signature) W. A. Branigan

(Typed Signature) W. A. Branigan

Copy #143
11/11/58

TO: MR. MOHR

FROM: H. L. EDWARDS

SUBJECT: DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION INSPECTION
INSPECTOR H. L. EDWARDS
JULY 23 - OCTOBER 31, 1958 W A BRANIGAN

SYNOPSIZED SUMMARY (DETAILED SUMMARY ATTACHED)

OFFICIALS: A. H. Belmont, Assistant Director since 9/30/51 (previously Inspector in Charge of Division from 2/27/50); Inspector J. A. Sizoo, No. 1 Man and Branch Chief (Internal Security - Liaison Branch) since 9/15/53; Inspector D. E. Moore, Branch Chief (Espionage - Central Research Branch) since 10/14/56. All on "interim probation" since 9/16/58 for "newspaper reading" and similar abuses discovered in early morning check.

LAST GENERAL INSPECTION: 9/6 - 27/56; former Inspector W. H. Buys

BACKGROUND: In addition to complete Division inspection, Director instructed Inspector to (1) analyze complete setup re technical surveillances in division to insure all productive and properly administered; (2) emphasize reducing agent personnel, economy and streamlining; (3) check whether Division derelict in not earlier detecting weaknesses of former Madrid Legat Joseph E. Presley who was transferred to Havana (a larger office) 1/23/58 but demoted and removed to domestic field for unfitness July, 1958.

FINDINGS

PHYSICAL CONDITION AND MAINTENANCE. . . . . GOOD

Division submitted 90 requests for repairs, equipment, etc., within two-week period before inspection (18 involving no Bureau cost, 72 requiring Bureau expenditures) indicating Division should stress essential housekeeping on regular rather than sporadic basis. Several requests should have been deferred for economy reasons. Espionage Section unnecessarily requested two fireproof safe cabinets (cost over $200 each) when similar equipment already available in same section; corrective centralized division control instituted to insure future screening of requisitions for nonexpendable equipment and memos declaring nonexpendable equipment surplus. Security check revealed "top secret" manual in unlocked drawer of locked desk of Espionage Section Chief Branigan. Corrected by keeping classified material in more secure place and repairing defective desk lock. Other material found which by nature should be secured although not classified. Mainly due to reduction in personnel and consolidating two steno pools Inspector arranged complete space

Enclosures
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realignment giving each of six sections in Justice Building contiguous space eliminating undesirable condition of widely separated units on several floors and personnel at far corners of building.

LL. INVESTIGATIVE OPERATIONS . . . . . VERY GOOD

Current Division case load 16, 423 or 28% of Bureau total. Since last inspection (8/31/58) total pending investigative matters in Security field declined 11%, major factor being 26% decline in "100" classification (Security Matter - Communist). Some important classifications increased. (Espionage, from 384 to 551 or 43%; Internal Security-Nationalistic Tendency, from 3,291 to 4,515 or 37%). Delinquency in Security cases 9/30/58 was 8.5% comparing favorably with over-all Bureau delinquency 7.2%. Division holds tight control over delinquency. Communist Party (CP, USA) membership declined past fiscal year from 11,504 to 8,150. Case load decline not due to lessening security threat but to factionalism in Party causing withdrawal from active membership, less active participation in organizations and front groups, tenor of recent court decisions, rising tide of public apathy and complacency, legislation, propaganda, etc. Bulk of Division's work arises from numerous programs which with exception of certain administrative weaknesses (reported later) were determined essential and properly handled. During inspection several new programs initiated by Division and others intensified or redirected to meet current challenges.

Division has firmly established Bureau's pre-eminence in domestic intelligence field. Programs and field conferences have achieved excellent Seat of Government and Field teamwork in security matters. Many noteworthy accomplishments since last inspection. Examples: (1) Intensification Program identified 112 intelligence agents and enabled 19 selected agents to be placed in contact with Soviets: (2) double agents increased 57% (23 to 36): (3) investigations identified 50 foreign agents past year (43 in U. S.); Security informants increased from 948 to 1017, of whom 408 (all time high) members of CP; (4) sensational information secured this year from top-level CP informants re future of CP, USA, and Soviet financial aid to and interest therein; Bureau penetrated national Party financial structure, obtained identities and amounts re Party's "financial angels"; (5) technical surveillances enabled Bureau to disseminate to White House, State, our UN delegation, and other interested agencies valuable advance intelligence during Middle East and other recent crises. Numerous other accomplishments outlined in attached detailed summary.

CONCLUSIONS RE INVESTIGATIVE OPERATIONS: Despite significant accomplishments, cannot rate investigative operations higher than "very good." Division cannot escape fact that incidents arose necessitating personal action of Director and Mr. Tolson such as initiating evaluations Division should have made; alerting Division to need for examining procedures, planning, streamlining, reducing

personnel. Inspection revealed administrative weaknesses (now corrected - see below) which should guarantee significant strengthening of investigative operations and help achieve maximum potential in security matters.

III. ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS . . . . . .UNSATISFACTORY

Major division weaknesses were administrative. Agent manpower reduced during inspection from 148 to 128 (drop of 20 agents or approximately 14%). Division did not initiate realistic reduction before inspection despite Director's repeated urgings and emphasis on "Spartan" economy.

Inspector made many substantial changes to streamline, tighten administrative control and promote efficiency: (1) Name Check work removed from Investigative Division, combined with Special Memo Unit from Liaison Section and made into Name Check Section in Domestic Intelligence Division under Section Chief George Scatterday; all placed in Identification Building close to Bureau's administrative files. (2) Racial Matters Unit removed from Internal Security Section and consolidated with Civil Rights Unit of Investigative Division, eliminating previous duplication of effort and pre-existing danger of essential action not being taken when dual interest and supervision existed. (3) Director approved abolishing GS-15 position of Supervisor W. V. Cleveland in Mr. Belmont's front office who spent almost full time screening and processing incoming and outgoing mail. Position nonessential as functions should have been handled by Branch and Section Chiefs and front office secretaries thus eliminating unnecessary routing and facilitating faster handling of mail. Cleveland transferred as No. 1 Man to Liaison Section Chief Roach which will strengthen administrative direction and control of foreign offices. (4) Survey showed need to reduce volume of outgoing mail reaching Mr. Tolson's Office after deadline. Corrected. (5) Several weaknesses noted in supervisory structure in Sections (e. g. using men for relief on No. 1 Man's and Section Chief's desks who were not next in logical chain of command; Espionage Section was improperly using a "floating" relief man as a training position for inexperienced supervisors on important Espionage desks; confusinn existed in Liaison Section re duties of Supervisor in Charge resulting in "no man's land" and other weaknesses; Subversive Control Section had excessive administrative "overhead" 1/5 of 29-man Staff.) All weaknesses corrected. (6) Mr. Belmont and staff not maintaining adequate closeness to operations evidenced by surprise morning check of space which disclosed newspaper reading, performance of personal business, and coffee drinking. Other failures found such as (a) lack of spot check of work on individual desks, case reviews with agents, check of ticklers, etc. (b) Division lacked uniform essential policy for periodic formal analysis and evaluation of programs. (c) case supervisors tended to repeatedly send field follow-up (o-1 forms) without taking positive action to prevent recurrence. All corrected by strong specific division instructions.

remote control (resulted in administering foreign liaison from his front office); looked at mail and reports on daily basis but failed to probe and evaluate actual operations. Moynihan had primary responsibility for Madrid desk from August, 1955, to July, 1958; cited Presley for individaul weaknesses but failed to " follow through." He advised Messrs. Philcox, Roach, Sizoo, and Belmont of general instances and suspicions of Presley's failings but no one initiated complete evaluation. Philcox shares blame as No. 1 Man to Roach. Section relied on Madrid Inspection reports in evaluating Presley, yet Inspector Teague relied on erroneous assumption that SOG had evaluated many items of Presley's performance, (another instance of a "no man's land"). Branch Chief Sizoo and Assistant Director Belmont culpable, but not to extent of Roach. They properly delegated primary responsibility to Roach as Section Chief but inadequately checked compliance. Recommendations for administrative action at end.

Other minor administrative weaknesses in Roach's section corrected by Inspector to strengthen Domestic Liaison and Defense Plans.

Miscellaneous administrative weaknesses developed; all corrected. Most minor; some division-wide, others confined to one or more sections. Included duplicating newspaper clippling functions; excessive errors in daily overtime computation by agents in Espionage Section caused by carelessness; lack of uniform use made in Division of desirable form designed to help supervisors follow sick leave without burdensome records; low Division stenographic and typing production (2.1 pages per hour versus 2.5 for SOG); 6 form and 6 substantive errors out of 203 cases reviewed (3% each type - substantive errors high, form errors low); several cases where constructive suggestions made; minor delinquencies in programs dealing with ticklers, policy folders, manual provisions, condition of files, deadlines, review of cases, and extent of investigation. Inspector suggested and Division agreed to form a Division Streamlining Committee to assist as needed in analyzing matters affecting more than one section. Inspector analyzed present administration of Emergency Detention Program(EDP) including Security Index and proposed several steps to strengthen same. To be separately presented to Executives Conference in view of technical aspects.

IV. PERSONNEL MATTERS. . . . . UNSATISFACTORY

Upon initiating inspection justification requested for existing personnel and after analysis Division agreed to reduce agents from 148 to 132. Inspection effected reduction of 7 to 125, but adjusted final figure to 128 after Division picked up net gain of 3 agents by receiving Name Check work from Investigative Division and losing Racial Matters Unit. Thus over-all reduction effected of 20 agents (14%). Agent staff now adequate guaranteeing full but not excessive assignments. Daily agent overtime average in Division compares favorably with SOG. (September: Division - 2' 25"; SOG - 2' 35"). All sections reflect substantial equality in overtime average

except Central Research Section (2' 54"); agent reduction in Division shared by all sections except Central Research where work load justified retaining present personnel. Division clerical personnel had gross reduction during inspection from 161 to 145 (about 10%), however, receipt of Name Check function added 29 clerks making total assigned 174. *Three justified clerical vacancies exist. Salary savings about $275,000 annually at SOG.

Morale now very good. Temporarily upset by "newspaper reading" incident and ensuing gossip which distorted spirit and letter of instructions issued thereon. Inspection revealed no factual basis for gossip, and no later instances noted. Mr. Belmont "took to heart" Director's serious concern and is determined to restore Director's complete confidence in Division.

V. CONTACTS AND MISCELLANEOUS. . . . . EXCELLENT

Division has maintained outstanding contacts through liaison activities in domestic field. Those maintained through foreign liaison activities also extremely valuable and except for isolated instances (previously noted) satisfactorily handled. No weaknesses noted in Division's dealings with Department or in Division's handling of numerous interagency committee responsibilities.

*Per HLE, needs have been satisfied. WBH 11/24/58

EVALUATION OF KEY PERSONNEL

L. Assistant Director Belmont: (EOD 11-30-36; GS 18, $17,500; Domestic Intelligence Division since 2-27-50; as Assistant Director since 9-30-51; age 51. Mr. Belmont was severly censured and placed on "interim" probation 9-16-58 for abuses discovered in surprise morning check of division.) Mr. Belmont has outstanding technical knowledge; is loyal; dedicated to security field; and deserves credit for technical accomplishments. He frankly admits the inspection disclosed a serious weakness in his failure to show sufficient concern for administrative essentials; now recognizes there is no substitute for sound, tight administrative leadership to prevent weaknesses in the working levels and insure maximum efficiency. He has exhibited some "softness", tending to palliate shortcomings of subordinates and rely on their complete dedication and efficiency rather than conduct realistic spot checks and maintain controls to guarantee full compliance. He deplores the adverse reflections on division morale which shook Director's confidence. He assured Inspector that if Director sees fit to continue him in present position he can apply the lessons learned to achieve greater accomplishments and completely restore Director's confidence in him and division. Inspector Edwards is convinced of Mr. Belmont's sincerity. Inasmuch as all weaknesses discovered have been corrected, Edwards favors giving him opportunity to prove administrative leadership with the understanding, however, that he will be retained on probation until he has proved it beyond

doubt. (Recommendation at end.)

2. Inspector - No. 1 Man, Joseph A. Sizoo: (EOD 7-10-35 (Clerk); 11-1-38 (SA) GS 16, $14,910, in division since 9-15-53 (except temporary assignment Mr. Tolson's Office 6-1-54 - 8-25-55); age 48. Censured and placed on "interim" probation 9-16-58 for abuses disclosed in morning divisional check in his branch.) Is Branch Chief of Internal Security-Liaison Branch, assigned to Mr. Belmont's Front Office and acts in his absence. Liaisnn Section had inexcusable weaknesses for Which Section Chief Roach primarily to blame. Sizoo relied too much on Roach rather than spot checking and seeing for himself. All three sections under Sizoo had "newspaper" offenders in surprise check. Internal Security Section had technical surveillance control unit where "evasive" system of counting surveillances and other weaknesses existed. Subversive Control Section had excessive administrative overhead and manpower was reduced from 29 to 24 agents. Mr. Sizoo cannot escape responsibility for these administrative weaknesses but to large extent they were divisional policy for which Mr. Belmont primarily responsible. Mr. Sizoo fully appreciates corrective action taken; is anxious to wholeheartedly and capably administer the changes made. Edwards favors giving him a chance to prove it, but should be retained on probation until his actions produce conclusive results. (Recommendation at end.)

3. Inspector - Branch Chief Donald E. Moore: (EOD 3-10-41; GS 16, $14,910; in present position since 10-14-56; age 40. Censured and placed on "interim" probation since 9-16-58 because of abuses in his branch discovered in early morning divisional check.) Is Branch Chief of Espionage - Central Research Branch. Central Research Section had no major weaknesses and no abuses in the morning check. Abuses were found in the other 2 sections (Espionage and Nationalities Intelligence) in addition to the type of general administrative weaknesses discovered in the division. The Espionage Section had numerous weaknesses of various types, mostly administrative. Although primarily the fault of Section Chief Branigan, Inspector Moore cannot escape responsibility as Branch Chief for not detecting such by proper penetrative spot checks, administrative devices and controls. Corrective measures taken during inspection should prevent recurrences. Vigorous application of these controls will be required, especially in Espionage Section. Inspector Moore is considered thoroughly capable and wants a chance to show he can manage the hard,tight administrative controls the inspection instituted. Edwards favors giving him a trial. Meantime, keep him on probation until he proves beyond doubt he can administer his branch and secure the potential benefits expected from the espionage work. (Recommendation at end.)

4. Section Chiefs Fred J. Baumgardner (Internal Security); W. A. Branigan (Espionage); J. F. Bland (Subversive Control); S. B. Donahoe (Nationalities Intelligence); R. R. Roach (Liaison): All put on probation 9-16-58 because of abuses discovered during early morning check.

(Section Chief Inspector W. C. Sullivan of Central Research Section had no major weaknesses and since no abuses in early morning check attributable to his section he is not on probation.

Weaknesses discovered during inspection mainly due to basic divisional administrative weaknesses for which Mr. Belmont is primarily accountable. Some sections worse than others -- degree of variation attributable to differences in leadership and executive qualities of Section Chiefs. Inspector discussed findings with these men relating to their sections. All admit seriousness of findings and realize they must assume primary responsibility for sections. They considered the corrective measures constructive, essential and hope for opportunity to prove to Director their ability to implement the corrections. Particular stress was placed on the weaknesses in the Espionage and Liaison Sections where the findings were more serious, Despite the numerous commendable accomplishments in Espionage and Liaison these men now realize that their administrative weaknesses detract from the value of them and rightfully raise questions in the Director's mind as to whether they have fully exploited the potential in their fields. Messrs Belmont, Sizoo and Moore were specifically alerted to the necessity of concentrating on the Espionage and Liaison Sections to insure that these sections are given needed impetus in carrying out all of the administrative controls. Giving weight to fact that most major administrative weaknesses were result of following division pattern, and giving proper credit for excellent accomplishments of these sections, Edwards feels the most constructive good and best interests of Bureau would be served by granting them chance they request to assist Mr. Belmont in restoring division to full confidence of Director. (See recommendations.)

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Severe censure for Mr. Belmont, continue on probation until his actions conclusively prove his desire and ability to forcefully manage administrative responsibilities. If approved, attached letter summarizing inspection will handle.

I agree. H. L. EDWARDS
JPM
11/12 "Yes."
"H"

2. Severe censure and continued probation for Branch Chiefs Sizoo and Moore until they demonstrate completely acceptable administrative leadership over their branches. Letters attached.

I agree. H. L. EDWARDS.
JPM
11/12 "Yes."
"H"

3. Severe censure and continued probation for Section Chiefs Baumgardner, Bland, Branigan, Donahoe, and Roach, with stern warnings to Branigan and Roach that any substantial indication of future administrative weakness will result in immediate removal from Section Chief Position. Letters attached.
I agree. H. L. EDWARDS
JPM
11/12 "Yes."
"H"

4. Severe censure for former Madrid desk supervisor Special Agent Cornelius A. Moynihan (now at Memphis); former Liaison Section No. 1. Man Norman Philcox (now at Paris); and former Inspector Lee Teague (now SAC, Miami) -- for their respective deficiencies in failing to detect weaknesses of Presley.

I agree. H. L. EDWARDS
JPM
11/12 "Yes."
"H"

Letters will be prepared by Admin. Division. Done JPM 11/17

5. Recommend approval for resuming previous policy of bringing Legal Attaches back to SOG annually (same as SACs) -- one year for In-Service; alternate year for conferences and home leave.
I agree. H. L. EDWARDS
JPM "Yes."
11/12 "H"

6. Recommend recheck in 90 days (February 12, 1959) to determine whether the Division is in completely satisfactory condition and whether Mr. Belmont and the others should be removed from probation. H. L. EDWARDS.
I agree. "Yes."
JPM "H"
11/12

Belmont and his assistant should be completely ashamed of the conditions discovered in this inspection.

"These conditions are shameful and what is both distressing and disheartening is that I have again and again warned Belmont and expressed my concern but he completely disregarded my views as if I did not know what I was talking about and as if it was none of my business."
"H".

12/6/58

TELEGRAM

TO: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
377 ELK STREET
ALBANY, NEW YORK

I WAS VERY SORRY TO LEARN OF THE DEATH OF YOUR FATHER AND WISH TO EXPRESS TO YOU MY DEEPEST SYMPATHY IN YOUR BEREAVEMENT. YOUR MANY FRIENDS [redacted] JOIN ME IN THESE EXPRESSIONS TO YOU AND YOUR FAMILY AND IF THERE IS ANYTHING WE CAN DO TO BE OF ASSISTANCE, PLEASE DO NOT HESITATE TO CALL ON US.

J. EDGAR HOOVER

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1 - Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)
1 - Leave Unit

NPC:jlj
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Branigan is Section Chief of Espionage Section

Note: Mr. Branigan's father passed away at Albany, New York, on 12/5/58. The above address was obtained from the Domestic Intelligence Division.

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March 11, 1959

PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Branigan:

The Bureau is pleased to advise that you are being removed from a probationary status.

Sincerely yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

1-Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)
1-Movement
1-Personnel Actions
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Based on memo Q. Tamm to Mr. Tolson 3-9-59 JFM:wmj

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Name: *William A. Branigan* *Title:* *Chief, Espionage Section*

Payroll #: *07804* *Grade:* *GS-15, $13,670*

EOD: *7-14-41* *On Probation*

Nonveteran

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ASSISTANT DIRECTOR A. H. BELMONT: Since 10-23-51, Mr. Branigan has been Chief of the Espionage Section which handles espionage and intelligence investigations involving the Soviet Union and most of the satellite countries. Branigan has an outstanding knowledge of espionage work, has the ability to resolve complicated matters and pursues investigations in a most enthusiastic manner. He is a capable administrator, aggressive, personable and makes a fine impression as a Bureau representative. By letter dated 9-16-58, Branigan was placed on probation inasmuch as a Special Agent under his supervision was engaged in activity inconsistent with official duty status and was continued on probation by letter dated 11-12-58, as a result of certain weaknesses detected during the inspection of the Domestic Intelligence Division. Branigan's attitude with regard to this administrative action was excellent in that he was most regretful that it was necessary for such action to be taken, but he immediately took all possible corrective action and has made every effort to see that his Section functions in the best manner possible.

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Rating: Excellent

INSPECTOR J. F. MALONE: Mr. Branigan was interviewed on 3/6/59, inasmuch as he was on probation. He makes a very good appearance, is sincere, conscientious, and has an excellent knowledge of the Bureau's operations, particularly the operations supervised by him. Mr. Branigan feels that the previous inspection aided the Domestic Intelligence Division materially in its over-all operation.

The Inspector agrees with Mr. Moore's evaluation of Mr. Branigan.

RECOMMENDATION: That Mr. Branigan be removed from probation (being handled separately).

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Recheck Inspection
Domestic Intelligence Division
February 26, 1959
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Letter to Mr. Branigan 3-11-59 advising him from probation

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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

2-24-59

I certify that I have ~~received~~ returned the following Government property for official use:

(1) Key to Room 2712

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The Government property which you hereby acknowledge is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care of it and returning it when its use has been completed. DO NOT MARK OR WRITE ON IT OR MUTILATE IT IN ANY WAY.

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FEB 25 1959

Very truly yours,

(Written Signature) W. A. Branigan

(Typed Signature) W. A. Branigan

FD-281a (Rev. 12-9-57)

RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

2-19-59

I certify that I have received the following Government property for official use:
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Second Floor Master Key (tel key cabinet)

Approved 2/16/59
Approval attached

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READ

The Government property which you hereby acknowledge is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care of it and returning it when its use has been completed. DO NOT MARK OR WRITE ON IT OR MUTILATE IT IN ANY WAY. (94)

Very truly yours,

(Written Signature) William A. Branigan

(Typed Signature) William A. Branigan

March 20, 1959

PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Branigan:

It is a pleasure to commend you for your excellent direction at the Seat of Government of the investigation of an individual of much interest to the Bureau in the security field.

You made a material contribution to the successful interviews of this individual through the splendid initiative and resourcefulness which you displayed in your guidance of the investigation in the field. Your services were indeed a credit to you and I want you to know of my appreciation.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

1 - Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)
Re: [redacted] Espionage - R.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

Name of Employee: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

Where Assigned: Domestic Intelligence (Division) Espionage (Section, Unit)

Official Position Title: Supervisory Special Agent (Section Chief) GS-15

Rating Period: from April 1, 1958 to March 31, 1959

ADJECTIVE RATING: SATISFACTORY
Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

Employee's Initials: BAR

	Signature	Title	Date
Rated by:	Donald E. Moore	Inspector	4- 7-59
Reviewed by:	C. V. Belmont	Assistant Director	4- 7-59
Rating Approved by:	D. M. Kohr	Assistant Director	APR 21 1959

TYPE OF REPORT 219505-219

(x) Official
(x) Annual

( ) Administrative
( ) 60-Day
( ) 90-Day
( ) Transfer
( ) Separation from Service
( ) Special

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PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD-185)

Name of Employee William A. Branigan Title Supervisory Special Agent (Section Chief) GS-15

Rating Period: from 4-1-58 to 3-31-59

RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST

Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared. Rate items as follows:

+ Outstanding (exceeding excellent and deserving of special commendation).
E Excellent.
✓ Satisfactory (good or very good).
– Unsatisfactory.
O No opportunity to appraise performance during rating period.

Guide for determining adjective rating:

1. "Outstanding" adjective rating requires (A) that all rated elements be "+" and (B) that each and every rated element be factually justified by narrative detail on reverse of Form FD-185.
2. "Excellent," "Satisfactory" or "Unsatisfactory" adjective ratings will depend upon the composite result of evaluating all rated elements rather than following any mechanical formulas; however, for an employee to be rated "Excellent" he must not be rated unsatisfactory on any performance evaluation factors on the rating guide and check-list and must be rated "Excellent" or "Outstanding" on the majority of such rating factors. Good judgment must be exercised to insure that adjective rating is reasonable in the light of elements rated.
   A. Any element rated "Unsatisfactory" must be supported by narrative comments.
   B. An "official" adjective rating of "Unsatisfactory" must comply with the requirements described on the reverse of form FD-185.

+ (1) Personal appearance.
+ (2) Personality and effectiveness of his personal contacts.
+ (3) Attitude (including dependability, cooperativeness, loyalty, enthusiasm, amenability and willingness to equitably share work load).
+ (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina).
+ (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity.
+ (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required.
+ (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions, ability to define objectives.
+ (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility.
+ (9) Planning ability and its application to the work.
E (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail.
+ (11) Industry, including energetic, consistent application to duties.
+ (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control.
+ (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and "know how" of application.
O (14) Technical or mechanical skills.
+ (15) Investigative ability and results:
   + (a) Internal security cases
   O (b) Criminal or general investigative cases
   O (c) Fugitive cases
   O (d) Applicant cases
   O (e) Accounting cases
O (16) Physical surveillance ability.
✓ (17) Firearms ability.
O (18) Development of informants and sources of information.
+ (19) Reporting ability:
   O (a) Investigative reports
   O (b) Summary reports
   + (c) Memos, letters, wires
   (Consider: + conciseness; + clarity; + organization; + thoroughness; + accuracy; + adequacy and pertinency of leads; + administrative detail.)
O (20) Performance as a witness.
E (21) Executive ability:
   E (a) Leadership
   + (b) Ability to handle personnel
   E (c) Planning
   E (d) Making decisions
   + (e) Assignment of work
   + (f) Training subordinates
   + (g) Devising procedures
   + (h) Emotional stability
   + (i) Promoting high morale
   + (j) Getting results
E (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments:
   E (a) As leader
   E (b) As participant
+ (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement.
+ (24) Ability to work under pressure.
+ (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate:
   + Dictation ability
   + Capability for additional responsibility

A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as Resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.): Section Chief Administrator

B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker): Administrator

C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)
(2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)

D. 1. Has employee had an abnormal sick leave record during rating period? No 2. Has employee used more sick leave (including annual leave or LWOP for illness) during rating period than the amount of sick leave earned during such period? No (If answer to either question is "Yes," explain in narrative comments.)

E. Is employee qualified to operate a motor vehicle incidental to his official duties? [x] Yes [ ] No
If answer is "yes," personnel file must reflect the following: (a) Has valid State or local operator's license for type vehicle he is to use. (b) Is physically fit to drive. (c) Past safe driving record OK or has passed Bureau road test.

ADJECTIVE RATING: SATISFACTORY (Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory) EMPLOYEE'S INITIALS BCR

PART I GENERAL COMMENTS

WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

During the rating period Mr. Branigan has been Chief of the Espionage Section of the Domestic Intelligence Division. He has directed many very complicated investigative matters, including the most involved intelligence investigations conducted by the Bureau. He has an outstanding knowledge of espionage and intelligence investigations, is well aware of the objectives in these matters and has the ability to direct personnel working under him along productive lines. He is very alert and personally takes an active part in directing involved investigations and sees that appropriate instructions are issued to the field. During a part of the rating period, Branigan was on probation as a result of certain weaknesses detected within his Section. It is believed these weaknesses are a definite exception to the high standard of performance he normally has shown in his capacity as Section Chief.

Mr. Branigan is a most effective Bureau representative, being personable, well groomed, possessed with a good speaking voice and creating an impression of confidence and ability. He has shown the definite ability to participate in or direct complicated investigations and raids and other dangerous assignments. He has the ability to lead personnel, take charge in emergencies and get the desired results in connection with the Bureau's responsibilities. He is an exceedingly hard worker and inspires enthusiasm and a desire to get things done by the personnel in his Section.

By letter dated 3-20-59 the Director commended Mr. Branigan for his excellent direction at the Seat of Government of an important investigation in the security field. The Director noted that Branigan through the splendid initiative and resourcefulness which he displayed in the guidance of the investigation made a material contribution to the successful interviews of the individual involved. This case was an extremely important espionage matter and Mr. Branigan has, also during the rating period, directed the investigation of other important espionage cases in a manner to bring credit to himself and the Bureau.

Mr. Branigan is an extremely loyal and enthusiastic member of the FBI, is available for assignment wherever his services may be needed and can be relied upon to do an excellent job in any assignment he may be given. He is capable of additional responsibility and would do his utmost in any capacity to achieve Bureau objectives.

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PART I GENERAL COMMENTS (Continued)

WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

While he is being rated SATISFACTORY in this rating in view of the fact he was on probation during a part of the rating period, it is believed Branigan's work will, in the future, earn him a rating of excellent.

RATING: SATISFACTORY

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PART II - SPECIFIC COMMENTS

1. Justification for Any Minus Ratings Given

Not applicable

2. Experience and Ability as Inspector's aide

Mr. Branigan has not received Inspector's Aide training, but in his work as Section Chief has received training along inspection lines.

3. Participation in Informant Programs

Mr. Branigan has effectively supervised programs with regard to overall informant coverage in intelligence and espionage matters.

4. Testifying Experience and Ability

Not applicable

5. Disciplinary Action

By letter dated 9-16-58, Mr. Branigan was placed on probation as a result of a Special Agent under his supervision engaging in certain activity inconsistent with his official duty status. By letter dated 11-12-58, he was continued on probation as a result of weaknesses detected during an inspection of the Domestic Intelligence Division. By letter dated 3-12-59, he was removed from probation.

6. Accounting Information

Not applicable

7. Police Instruction

Not applicable

8. Sound Training

Not applicable

PART II - SPECIFIC COMMENTS (Continued)

9. *Resident Agents*

Not applicable

10. *Foreign Language Ability*

Mr. Branigan studied French in school, but has no degree of proficiency in the language at this time.

11. *Administrative Advancement*

a) *Agent is interested in administrative advancement* - Yes [x] No [ ]

b) *Agent is completely available for administrative advancement* - Yes [x] No [ ]

c) *Agent is considered completely qualified at present for administrative advancement including experience, ability, personality and appearance* - Yes [x] No [ ]

d) *Agent has potential for future administrative advancement* - Yes [ ] No [ ]

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TO : MR. A. H. BELMONT

FROM : MR. D. E. MOORE

SUBJECT: [redacted]
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105-76241

(U) William A Branigan

This case involves a Soviet illegal agent sent to the United States 12-31-58. In connection with obtaining a baptismal certificate in Negaunee, Michigan, he aroused suspicion and information concerning him was furnished to Special Agent [redacted] Resident Agent at Marquette, Michigan, who conducted expedite investigation and set out comprehensive leads which resulted in subject being under surveillance from 2-17-59 to 3-9-59. The initial investigation by SA [redacted] and subsequent surveillance, development of anonymous sources and other investigation by the Minneapolis, Milwaukee and Detroit Offices were extremely effective. The information developed quite definitely indicated that the subject was an illegal espionage agent. (U)

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Subject was contacted on the streets of Milwaukee, Wisconsin at 9:00 AM, 3-9-59. The initial contact with subject was most effective and this was made possible through the very effective coverage the Milwaukee Office had established on his place of residence. SAC Daniel W. Fults, Jr., Milwaukee, and ASAC Joseph D. Purvis, Milwaukee, did an outstanding job in arranging for appropriate coverage and in making arrangements for a suitable location where subject could be appropriately interviewed. Following the initial contact with subject, he was most effectively interviewed by SAs [redacted] and [redacted] of the Milwaukee Office and SAs James P. Kehoe and [redacted] of the New York Office who were in Milwaukee on special assignment. The work of these Agents was most outstanding. In addition to the four above-mentioned Agents, SA [redacted] was the Agent who actually obtained thru a close friend of his the summer home in the country about 29 miles from Milwaukee for the interview of the subject. The setting was ideal for our purpose. [redacted] and SA Maurice H. Price, both assigned to Milwaukee, were responsible for obtaining phone service, service of necessary utilities, wood, groceries and so forth and, in general, with the maintenance of the cottage which were absolutely necessary for the efficient handling of the interview. In addition to [redacted] and Price, SAs John A. Holtzman and [redacted] of the Milwaukee Office performed necessary duties from approximately 11 PM each evening to 7 AM each morning during the period from 3-9 thru 3-18-59. Their services were performed in a very commendable fashion. (U)

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This case was most effectively supervised at the Seat of Government by SA Anthony P. Litrento. Litrento followed the case very closely, issued constructive suggestions to the field and his work played a very important part in the successful interview conducted of subject.

Section Chief William A. Branigan gave outstanding direction and guidance to this investigation and played a very material part in the determining of policy with regard to the investigation and subsequent interview.

During the interview of subject, he furnished information concerning a very sophisticated cipher system he used in communicating with his Soviet superiors and he also furnished detailed information concerning secret writing, the development of cipher writing, and the preparation of micro dots. SA I. Woodrow Newpher of the Laboratory came to discuss this extremely complicated material with subject and obtained full details which are of extreme importance to the Bureau. Newpher did a most commendatory job in this connection.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1) That SA [redacted], Detroit, be commended for his alertness and effective investigation which resulted in the loscation and identification of a Societ illegal agent in the U.S. b6

(2) That the Detroit, Minneapolis and Milwaukee Offices be commended for their excellent handling of this most important investigation and that the Special Agents in Charge be instructed to place copies of the letters of commendation in the personnel files of the many Agents who performed such commendable work on this case.

(3) That SAC Fults and ASAC Purvis, Milwaukee, be commended for their efficient over-all handling of this investigation leading up to the interview on 3-9-59 and to their astuteness in connection with the selection of a location at which subject could be properly interviewed.

(4) That SAs [redacted] of the Milwaukee Office and SAs James P. Kehoe and [redacted] of the New York Office be given letters of commendation for their most outstanding work in interviewing the subject and eliciting detailed information from him concerning his espionage assignment. In connection with the letter to SA Kehoe, SA Kehoe became ill on Sunday morning 3-15-59, and while as of 3-17-59 the final diagnosis had not been made, the doctor indicated there was nothing serious and it might have been a case of exhaustion. It is suggested that in the letter of commendation to Kehoe mention be made of the fact that he worked extremely long hours under great tension, and that the Director is extremely pleased to hear that he is coming along fine.

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(5) That SAs Clark E. Lovrien, Maurice H. Price, John A. Holtzman and [redacted] Milwaukee, be commended for their important contribution to the successful interview conducted in this case. It is also recommended that in the letter to SA Lovrien mention be made to the fine selection he made in connection with the location of the interview site.

(6) That Special Agent Anthony P. Litrento and Section Chief William A. Branigan receive letters of commendation for their outstanding supervision and direction of this case.

(7) That Special Agent I. Woodrow Newpher of the Laboratory be commended for his work in this case.

ADDENDUM: (3/18/59)

Inspector D. E. Moore was dispatched from the Bureau to Milwaukee to handle the key part in the development of this case, namely the approach to the subject and the subsequent interview. There is no question but that Moore did an outstanding job in planning and execution. He was in charge of the operation and was authorized to make the necessary decisions in what was essentially a very delicate matter. Were it not for the need for economy at the present time, I would recommend Moore and certain of the other agents for meritorious awards, as this was an outstanding accomplishment. I recommend that Moore be given a warm letter of commendation.

A. H. Belmont

All letters of commendation dated 3/20/59—hh

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. TOLSON DATE: March 9, 1959

FROM : MR. Q. TAMM W. A. Branigan

SUBJECT: RECHECK INSPECTION
DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION Insp.
INSPECTOR JOHN F. MALONE
2/16/59 to 3/6/59

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Belmont
Mohr
McGuire
Parsons
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Trotter
W. C. Sullivan
Tele. Room
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Gandy

SUMMARY

OFFICIALS: A. H. Belmont, Assistant Director since 9/30/51; Inspector J. A. Sizoo, No. 1 Man and Branch Chief (Internal Security - Liaison Branch) since 9/15/53; Inspector D. E. Moore, Branch Chief (Espionage - Central Research Branch) since 10/14/56. All on probation since 9/16/58 for "newspaper reading" and similar abuses discovered in early morning check during previous inspection.

LAST INSPECTION: 7/23/58 to 10/31/58.

EVALUATIONS:

(1) PHYSICAL CONDITION AND MAINTENANCE . . . . . VERY GOOD

Previous deficiencies corrected. Recheck reflects few new minor housekeeping deficiencies, all corrected. Over-all space appearance very good; no space needs and no security violations detected. Space changes previously recommended, now completed and more contiguous space has benefited division.

(2) INVESTIGATIVE OPERATIONS . . . . . VERY GOOD

Division case load 20,459 as of 1/31/59, increase of 24.6% since last inspection, due mainly to program of reopening and re-evaluation of Communist Index cases instituted 10/2/58. No substantive errors and only one form error (0.8%) found in 126 files reviewed. Previous deficiencies concerning technical surveillances all corrected, 22% of existing technical surveillances reviewed and found productive and justified. Intensification Program streamlined and essential work being handled with minimum manpower. All programs reviewed, justified and producing desired

Enclosure recd 3-10-59
1 - Mr. Mohr (Attention: W. S. Tavel) (Sent separately)
(6)
1 - Mr. Belmont (Sent separately)
JFM:wmj

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results. Slight decrease in number of informants offset by wider Communist Party coverage. Since last inspection top secret cryptographic "keys" obtained, of inestimable value, which resulted in savings of $110,000 for the National Security Agency on decoding labor. Two Communist Party informants continue outstanding performance under division's guidance, one serving as courier between Communist Party, USA, and Communist Party, Soviet Union, with other producing evidence of financing linking Communist Party, USA, to Communist Party, Sovit Union.

(3) ADMINISTRATIVE OPERATIONS . . . . . VERY GOOD

Streamlining procedures instituted last inspection working satisfactorily and beneficial to division. Consolidated Name Check and Special Memorandum Section now handling more work with less personnel. Abolishment of W. V. Cleveland's position in Front Office resulted in Section Chiefs assuming more responsibility, reduced mail flow to Front Office, allowing greater freedom for other administrative duties and planning. Administrative spot checks regularly made by Mr. Belmont and staff, to guarantee overtime devoted to official business. Mr. Belmont accompanied by Inspector on one such check and no deficiencies noted. All delinquencies discovered last inspection now corrected and new procedures instituted found beneficial to division. Tighter control being maintained over work of Legal Attaches; Legal Attache Manual to be completed within 6 months, as well as Bureau War Plans Manual. Stenographic and typing production increased from 2.1 pages per hour during last inspection to 2.5 pages per hour, now equal to Seat of Government average. Survey reflects 9.3% of pages retyped due to stenographic errors or changes by dictator or reviewing officials. Suggestions made and instructions issued for improvement. Time and attendance record procedures satisfactory; decided improvement on accuracy and uniformity since last inspection.

(4) PERSONNEL MATTERS . . . . . VERY GOOD

Personnel considered adequate but not excessive. During previous inspection Agent personnel reduced 14%, with approximately 10% reduction in clerical personnel. Since previous inspection work load increased 24.6% and only personnel increase has been two clerical employees with one additional clerical employee request pending action by Administrative Division.

Voluntary overtime average for division increased from 2 hours, 19 minutes (6 months' average - January - June, 1958) to 2 hours, 41 minutes (3 months' average - November - January, 1959). Overtime analysis indicates

all section averages have increased and overtime being equitably shared. Morale excellent. Availability check 2/16/59 determined all supervisors available.

(5) CONTACTS . . . . . EXCELLENT

During previous inspection the division was rated excellent on contacts. During recheck inspection it was noted that 51 new contacts with outside sources have been developed and program is continuing on an excellent basis.

CONCLUSIONS PARTIAL RECHECK:

All delinquencies discovered during last inspection now corrected. Procedures instituted operating smoothly and beneficially. Efficiency, manpower savings and other economies demonstrated. Corrective and strengthening action approved by Director proven beneficial. Mr. Belmont and staff now functioning as smooth team and have eliminated weaknesses.

EVALUATION OF KEY PERSONNEL:

1. Assistant Director Belmont

(EOD 11/30/36; GS-18, $17,500; Domestic Intelligence Division since 2/27/50; as Assistant Director since 9/30/51; aged 52. Mr. Belmont was severely censured and placed on "interim" probation 9/16/58 for abuses discovered in surprise morning check of division. He was continued on probation until he could conclusively prove his desire and ability to forcefully manage administrative responsibilities.) Inspection findings indicate that Mr. Belmont has definitely proven his desire and ability to properly administer the Domestic Intelligence Division. Mr. Belmont has an excellent attitude. He has a thorough knowledge of operations of his division. He has personally and conscientiously followed the recommendations of the previous inspection to see that all suggestions were meticulously followed. He has tightened up on the soft spots found in the division. He no longer relies completely on his subordinates to insure efficient administration of the office but maintains proper controls and spot checks. Inspector feels Mr. Belmont should be removed from probation.

2. Inspector - No. 1 Man, Joseph A. Sizoo

(EOD 7/10/35 (Clerk); 11/1/38 (SA), GS-16, $14,910, in division since 9/15/53 (except temporary assignment Mr. Tolson's Office 6/1/54 - 8/25/55); aged 48. Censured and placed on "interim" probation 9/16/58 for abuses

disclosed in morning divisional check in his branch. Censured and continued on probation as of 11/12/58 until he demonstrated completely acceptable administrative leadership over his branch.) Mr. Sizoo is capable and enthusiastic about his work. Although opposed to some changes recommended by the Inspector for what he considered at the time sound reasons, he wholeheartedly administered the changes recommended and admitted that the new system is working satisfactorily. Mr. Sizoo checks his branch periodically. Other administrative weaknesses detected during the inspection have been eliminated and the recheck inspection indicates that Mr. Sizoo's branch is now functioning smoothly and efficiently.

3. Inspector - Branch Chief Donald E. Moore

(EOD 3/10/41; GS-16, $14,910; in present position since 10/14/56; aged 40. Censured and placed on "interim" probation since 9/16/58 because of abuses in his branch discovered in early morning divisional check. Continued on probation as of 11/12/58 until he demonstrated completely acceptable administrative leadership over his branch.) The delinquencies for which Inspector Moore had been placed on probation were carefully checked during the inspection and very commendable improvement had been noted. During the interview with Mr. Moore he displayed an excellent attitude and a thorough knowledge and background of the work he is supervising. He makes proper spot checks of his branch before, during and after regular hours and has initiated administrative devices and controls to enable him to properly maintain the tight supervision necessary over the operations of his branch. Inspector Moore enthusiastically applied the suggestions made by the Inspector during the previous inspection and stated that the division has benefited materially from some of these suggestions.

4. Section Chiefs Fred J. Baumgardner (Internal Security); W. A. Branigan (Espionage); J. F. Bland (Subversive Control); S. B. Donahoe (Nationalities Intelligence); R. R. Roach (Liaison).

(All were placed on probation 9/16/58 because of abuses discovered during early morning check. As of 11/12/58 they were continued on probation with stern warnings to Section Chiefs Branigan and Roach that any substantial indication of future administrative weakness would result in immediate removal from the position of Section Chief.) The inspection findings in the sections supervised by the above-indicated Section Chiefs were found to be in satisfactory condition. Morale of the employees was high. The Section Chiefs

possessed an excellent attitude and enthusiastically adopted the suggestions left with them as a result of the previous inspection. The administrative weaknesses have been eliminated and the value of the work handled on the respective desks has been considerably enhanced. The inspection findings further indicate that Section Chiefs Branigan and Roach are capable of handling the position of Section Chief in their respective sections.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That Assistant Director Belmont be removed from probation. If you approve, attached letter will suffice.

2. That Inspectors Sizoo and Moore be removed from probation. If approved, to be handled by the Administrative Division.

3. That Messrs. Baumgardner, Bland, Branigan, Donahoe and Roach be removed from probation. If approved, to be handled by the Administrative Division.

4. Recommendations as to other personnel handled separately.

PERMANENT BRIEFS OF BELMONT, SIZOO, MOORE, BAUMGARDNER, BLAND, BRANIGAN, DONAHOE AND ROACH ATTACHED.

FIELD ARMS TRAINING RECORD

SPECIAL AGENT DONIGAN, WILLIAM A.

FD-40
3-25-47

Current thru 6/55 - Prev. Rec. Sent To Pers. Files.

OFFICE	MO. / YR.	HS	PPC	SG	.30	MG	GAS	RD	MPP.		QUALIFIED
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									221		
									154		MAR 23 1957
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		82	83	100	✓	94	DT	BA			
		84	78	17		88	DT	RD			MAY 23 1957
		90	77	18		86	DT	RD			JUL 23 1957
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									243		Jan 20 '57
									224		3/58
									217		3/58
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REPORT OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION

1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME (Type or print)	2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION	3. IDENTIFICATION NO.
BRANIGAN, WILLIAM ALOYSIUS	SPECIAL AGENT	
4. HOME ADDRESS (*Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State*)	**5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION**	**6. DATE OF EXAMINATION**
	ANNUAL	2-13-59

7. SEX	8. RACE	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE MILITARY	CIVILIAN	10. DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, OR SERVICE	11. ORGANIZATION UNIT
Male	White				

12. DATE OF BIRTH	13. PLACE OF BIRTH	14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
3-23-16	New York	

15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS	16. OTHER INFORMATION
NNMC	

17. RATING OR SPECIALTY — TIME IN THIS CAPACITY: TOTAL — LAST SIX MONTHS

CLINICAL EVALUATION

NORMAL	ABNORMAL	(Check each item in appropriate column; enter "N. E." if not evaluated)
		18. HEAD, FACE, NECK, AND SCALP
		19. NOSE
		20. SINUSES
		21. MOUTH AND THROAT
		22. EARS—GENERAL (*Ext. & ext. canals*) (*Auditory acuity under items 70 and 71*)
		23. DRUMS (*Perforation*)
		24. EYES—GENERAL (*Visual acuity and refraction under items 68, 69, and 81*)
NE		25. OPHTHALMOSCOPIC
		26. PUPILS (*Equality and reaction*)
		27. OCULAR MOTILITY (*Associated parallel movements, nystagmus*)
		28. LUNGS AND CHEST (*Include breasts*)
		29. HEART (*Thrust, size, rhythm, sounds*)
		30. VASCULAR SYSTEM (*Varicosities, etc.*)
		31. ABDOMEN AND VISCERA (*Include hernia*)
		32. ANUS AND RECTUM (*Hemorrhoids, fistulae*) (*Prostate if indicated*)
		33. ENDOCRINE SYSTEM
		34. G-U SYSTEM
		35. UPPER EXTREMITIES (*Strength, range of motion*)
		36. FEET
		37. LOWER EXTREMITIES (*Except feet*) (*Strength, range of motion*)
		38. SPINE, OTHER MUSCULOSKELETAL
		39. IDENTIFYING BODY MARKS, SCARS, TATTOOS
		40. SKIN, LYMPHATICS
		41. NEUROLOGIC (*Equilibrium tests under item 79*)
		42. PSYCHIATRIC (*Specify any personality deviation*)
Females only		(Check how done)
		43. PELVIC ☐ VAGINAL ☐ RECTAL

NOTES.—Describe every abnormality in detail. (Enter pertinent item number before each comment; continue in item 73 and use additional sheets if necessary.)

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44. DENTAL (*Place appropriate symbols above or below number of upper and lower teeth, respectively*)

O.—*Restorable teeth* /.—*Nonrestorable teeth* X.—*Missing teeth* XXX.—*Replaced by dentures* (6 X 6).—*Fixed bridge, brackets to include abutments*

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REMARKS AND ADDITIONAL DENTAL DEFECTS AND DISEASES

Meets dental standards

LABORATORY FINDINGS

45. URINALYSIS: SP. GR. 1.025			46. CHEST X-RAY (*Place, date, film number, result*)	47. SEROLOGY (*Specify test used and result*)
ALBUMIN	SUGAR	MICROSCOPIC		
neg	neg	neg	0529790 - neg	neg
48. EKG		**49. BLOOD TYPE AND RH FACTOR**	**50. OTHER TESTS**	
Normal		AB		

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MEASUREMENTS AND OTHER FINDINGS

51. HEIGHT	52. WEIGHT	53. COLOR HAIR	54. COLOR EYES	55. BUILD: SLENDER ☐ MEDIUM ☐ HEAVY ☒ OBESE ☐	56. TEMP.
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57. BLOOD PRESSURE (*Arm at heart level*)

SITTING	SYS. 122 / DIAS. 84	RECUMBENT	SYS. / DIAS.	STANDING (5 min.)	SYS. / DIAS.	**58. PULSE** (*Arm at heart level*) SITTING 80	AFTER EXERCISE	2 MIN. AFTER	RECUMBENT	AFTER STANDING 3 MIN.

59. DISTANT VISION	60. REFRACTION	61. .62M NEAR VISION
RIGHT 20/ 50 CORR. TO 20/20	BY lens S. CX	20-6 CORR. TO BY
LEFT 20/ 50 CORR. TO 20/20	BY lens S. CX	20-6 CORR. TO BY

62. HETEROPHORIA (*Specify distance*) ES° EX° R. H. L. H. PRISM DIV. PRISM CONV. PC PD

63. ACCOMMODATION RIGHT LEFT	64. COLOR VISION (*Test used and result*) AOC-1946-Normal	65. DEPTH PERCEPTION (*Test used and score*) UNCORRECTED / CORRECTED	
66. FIELD OF VISION	67. NIGHT VISION (*Test used and score*)	68. RED LENS	69. INTRAOCULAR TENSION

70. HEARING

RIGHT WV 15 /15 SV /15

LEFT WV 15 /15 SV /15

71. AUDIOMETER

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RIGHT	0	0	0	0		15	0	
LEFT	0	0	0	0		25	15	

72. PSYCHOLOGICAL AND PSYCHOMOTOR (*Tests used and score*)

73. NOTES (*Continued*) AND SIGNIFICANT OR INTERVAL HISTORY

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(*Use additional sheets of plain paper if necessary*)

74. SUMMARY OF DEFECTS AND DIAGNOSES (*List diagnoses with item numbers*)

75. RECOMMENDATIONS—FURTHER SPECIALIST EXAMINATIONS INDICATED (*Specify*)

76. PHYSICAL PROFILE

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77. EXAMINEE (*Check*)
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PHYSICAL CATEGORY

78. IF NOT QUALIFIED, LIST DISQUALIFYING DEFECTS BY ITEM NUMBER

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79. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN G. R. JOHNSTON CAPT MC USN
SIGNATURE S/ G. R. Johnston

80. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN
SIGNATURE

81. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF DENTIST OR PHYSICIAN (*Indicate which*)
SIGNATURE S/ J. B. Ferris

82. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF REVIEWING OFFICER OR APPROVING AUTHORITY
SIGNATURE
NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS

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EMPLOYEE SA . Branigan, William A. EOD 7-11-41 DIV.

ACC. ANN. 94-3 ACC. SICK 63-7 ADV. SICK 4 days sick

ACCRUED ANN. 96-3 70-7

ACCRUED SICK 53-1

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Total	98-7	106-11
Leave lost		
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Total taken	3-0	18-3
Balance 1-1-48	95-7	88-8
(amt. lost)	89-0 ✓	

SICK ✓

As of 1-1-47	63-7
Current Acc.	15-0
Total	78-7
Leave lost	
Balance	
Total taken	22-0 ✓
Balance 1-1-48	56-7 ✓

ACC. ANN. 73-3 ACC. SICK 52-7 ADV. SICK

ACCRUED ANN. 76-3 ✓

ACCRUED SICK 60-3 ✓

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Current Acc.	26-0
Total	99-3
Leave lost	
Balance	
Total taken	15-0
Balance 1-1-47	84-3
(amt. lost)	

SICK

As of 1-1-46	52-7
Current Acc.	15-0
Total	67-7
Leave lost	
Balance	
Total taken	4-0
Balance 1-1-47	63-7

ACC. ANN. 54-6 ACC. SICK 43-3 ADV. SICK

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ACCRUED SICK 47.4

DAY OF MO.	JAN D	JAN H	FEB D	FEB H	MAR D	MAR H	APR D	APR H	MAY D	MAY H	JUNE D	JUNE H	DAY OF MO.	JULY D	JULY H	AUG D	AUG H	SEPT D	SEPT H	OCT D	OCT H	NOV D	NOV H	DEC D	DEC H	DAY OF MO.
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Calendar Year 1945

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As of 1-1-45	54-6
Current Acc.	26-0
Total	80-6
Leave lost	
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Total taken	7-3
Balance 1-1-46	73-3
(amt. lost)	

SICK

As of 1-1-45	43-3
Current Acc.	15-0
Total	58-3
Leave lost	
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Total taken	5-4
Balance 1-1-46	52-7

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ACCRUED SICK

DAY OF MO.	JAN D	JAN H	FEB D	FEB H	MAR D	MAR H	APR D	APR H	MAY D	MAY H	JUNE D	JUNE H	DAY OF MO.	JULY D	JULY H	AUG D	AUG H	SEPT D	SEPT H	OCT D	OCT H	NOV D	NOV H	DEC D	DEC H	DAY OF MO.
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Calendar Year 1948

	LWOP	SUSP.
No. of days		
Annual lost		
Sick lost		

ANNUAL

As of 1-1-48	
Current Acc.	
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Leave lost	
Balance	
Total taken	
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(amt. lost)	

SICK

As of 1-1-48	
Current Acc.	
Total	
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Total taken	
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EMPLOYEE: SA Branigan, William A. E.O.D. 19 7-14-41 DIV. J

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ACC. SICK ADV. SICK

INDIVIDUAL RECORD OF ABSENCE FOR THE YEAR OF 1941

DAY OF MO.	JANUARY D. H. M.	FEBRUARY D. H. M.	MARCH D. H. M.	APRIL D. H. M.	MAY D. H. M.	JUNE D. H. M.	JULY D. H. M.	AUGUST D. H. M.	SEPTEMBER D. H. M.	OCTOBER D. H. M.	NOVEMBER D. H. M.	DECEMBER D. H. M.
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EMPLOYEE: SA Branigan, William A. E.O.D. 19 7-14-41 DIV.

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ACC. SICK 32-7-0 ADV. SICK

INDIVIDUAL RECORD OF ABSENCE FOR THE YEAR OF 1944

DAY OF MO.	JANUARY D. H. M.	FEBRUARY D. H. M.	MARCH D. H. M.	APRIL D. H. M.	MAY D. H. M.	JUNE D. H. M.	JULY D. H. M.	AUGUST D. H. M.	SEPTEMBER D. H. M.	OCTOBER D. H. M.	NOVEMBER D. H. M.	DECEMBER D. H. M.
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EMPLOYEE: SA Branigan, William A. E. O. D. 19 7-14-41 DIV.

ACC. ANN 28-6-25

ACC. SICK 20-6-42 ADV. SICK

INDIVIDUAL RECORD OF ABSENCE FOR THE YEAR OF 1943

DAY OF MO.	JANUARY D	H	M	FEBRUARY D	H	M	MARCH D	H	M	APRIL D	H	M	MAY D	H	M	JUNE D	H	M	JULY D	H	M	AUGUST D	H	M	SEPTEMBER D	H	M	OCTOBER D	H	M	NOVEMBER D	H	M	DECEMBER D	H	M	DAY OF MO.
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EMPLOYEE: SA Branigan, William A. E. O. D. 19 7-14-41 DIV.

ACC. ANN. 11-0-25

ACC. SICK 6-6-42 ADV. SICK

INDIVIDUAL RECORD OF ABSENCE FOR THE YEAR OF 1942

DAY OF MO.	JANUARY D.	H.	M.	FEBRUARY D.	H.	M.	MARCH D.	H.	M.	APRIL D.	H.	M.	MAY D.	H.	M.	JUNE D.	H.	M	JULY D.	H.	M.	AUGUST D.	H.	M.	SEPTEMBER D.	H.	M.	OCTOBER D.	H.	M.	NOVEMBER D.	H.	M.	DECEMBER D.	H.	M.	DAY OF MO.
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LAST NAME	FIRST NAME AND INITIAL	IDENTIFICATION No.	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT	EOD DATE	AGENCY	CALENDAR YEAR
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MONTH	PAY PER. No.	ANNUAL TAKEN HRS.	ANNUAL TAKEN TOTAL	ANNUAL HRS. ACCR.	SICK TAKEN HRS.	SICK TAKEN TOTAL	SICK HRS. ACCR.
JANUARY	1			8			10
	2	16	16	16			
	3			24			
FEBRUARY	4			32			20
	5			40			
MARCH	6			48			30
	7			56			
APRIL	8			64	16	16	40
	9			72			
MAY	10			80			50
	11	8	24	88			
	12			92			
JUNE	13	16	40	100			60
	14	8	48	108			

MONTH	PAY PER. No.	ANNUAL TAKEN HRS.	ANNUAL TAKEN TOTAL	ANNUAL HRS. ACCR.	SICK TAKEN HRS.	SICK TAKEN TOTAL	SICK HRS. ACCR.
JULY	15			116			70
	16			124			
AUGUST	17	40	88	132			80
	18			140			
SEPTEMBER	19	48	136	148			90
	20	16	152	156			
OCTOBER	21			164			100
	22			172	24	40	
	23			180			
NOVEMBER	24			188			110
	25			196			
DECEMBER	26			204			120
	27			208			

ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY
W—AWL—SUSPENDED

DATE	TYPE	HRS.	TOTAL

REMARKS

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COMPENSATORY TIME RECORD

PAY PERIOD	HOURS WORKED	HOURS TAKEN	BAL.

YEARLY SUMMARY (HOURS)

ITEM	ANN.	SICK
BAL. FORWARDED	712	455
YR. ACCRUAL	208	120
TOTAL	920	575
TOTAL TAKEN	152	40
BALANCE	768	535

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME AND INITIAL	IDENTIFICATION No.	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT	EOD DATE	AGENCY	CALENDAR YEAR
SA Branigan	William [illegible]			7-14-41		1948

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME AND INITIAL	IDENTIFICATION No.	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT	EOD DATE	AGENCY	CALENDAR YEAR

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MONTH	PAY PER. NO.	ANNUAL TAKEN HRS.	ANNUAL TAKEN TOTAL	ANNUAL HRS. ACCR.	SICK TAKEN HRS.	SICK TAKEN TOTAL	SICK HRS. ACCR.
JANUARY	26			4			10
	3			12			
	4			20	8	8	
FEBRUARY	5			28			20
	6			36			
MARCH	7			44			30
	8			52	8	16	
APRIL	9	2	2	60			40
	10			68	16	32	
MAY	11			76			50
	12	4	6	84			
	13			92			
JUNE	14			100	1	33	60
	15			108			

MONTH	PAY PER. NO.	ANNUAL TAKEN HRS.	ANNUAL TAKEN TOTAL	ANNUAL HRS. ACCR.	SICK TAKEN HRS.	SICK TAKEN TOTAL	SICK HRS. ACCR.
JULY	16	1	7	116			70
	17	40	47	124			
AUGUST	18	80	127	132			80
	19			140	9	42	
SEPTEMBER	20			148			90
	21			156			
OCTOBER	22			164			100
	23			172			
	24			180			
NOVEMBER	25	8	135	188			110
	26			196	8	50	
DECEMBER	1			204	16	66	120
	2	24	159	208			

ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY
W—AWL—SUSPENDED

DATE	TYPE	HRS.	TOTAL

REMARKS

COMPENSATORY TIME RECORD

PAY PERIOD	HOURS WORKED	HOURS TAKEN	BAL.

YEARLY SUMMARY (HOURS)

ITEM	ANN.	SICK
BAL. FORWARDED	712	535
YR. ACCRUAL	208	120
TOTAL	920	655
TOTAL TAKEN	~~208~~ 459	6617
BALANCE 712	761	~~58~~ 598

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME AND INITIAL	IDENTIFICATION No.	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT	EOD DATE	AGENCY	CALENDAR YEAR
SA Branigan, William A.				7-14-41		1949

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME AND INITIAL	IDENTIFICATION No.	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT	EOD DATE	AGENCY	CALENDAR YEAR

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MONTH	PAY PER. NO.	ANNUAL TAKEN HRS.	ANNUAL TAKEN TOTAL	ANNUAL HRS. ACCR.	SICK TAKEN HRS.	SICK TAKEN TOTAL	SICK HRS. ACCR.
JANUARY	2B			4			10
	3			12			
	4			20	12	12	
FEBRUARY	5			28			12
	6			36			
MARCH	7			44			12
	8	24	24	52			
APRIL	9			60			20
	10			68	8	20	
	11			76			
MAY	12			84			28
	13			92			
JUNE	14	1	25	100			20
	15			108			

MONTH	PAY PER. NO.	ANNUAL TAKEN HRS.	ANNUAL TAKEN TOTAL	ANNUAL HRS. ACCR.	SICK TAKEN HRS.	SICK TAKEN TOTAL	SICK HRS. ACCR.
JULY	16	7	32	116			20
	17	40	72	124			
AUGUST	18	80	152	132			20
	19			140			
SEPTEMBER	20			148			20
	21			143			
	22			149			
OCTOBER	23			155	8	28	30
	24			180	2	30	
NOVEMBER	25	16	168	188			30
	26			196			
DECEMBER	1			204			30
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ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY W—AWL—SUSPENDED DATE	TYPE	HRS.	TOTAL

* 18 Lv called
*19 Lv all annulled

REMARKS

COMPENSATORY TIME RECORD PAY PERIOD	HOURS WORKED	HOURS TAKEN	BAL.

YEARLY SUMMARY (HOURS) ITEM	ANN.	SICK
BAL. FORWARDED	712	720
YR. ACCRUAL	208	30
TOTAL	920	750
TOTAL TAKEN	168	30
BALANCE	752	720

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LAST NAME	FIRST NAME AND INITIAL	IDENTIFICATION No.	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT	EOD DATE	AGENCY	CALENDAR YEAR
SA	Branigan, William A.			7-12-41		1951

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME AND INITIAL	IDENTIFICATION No.	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT	EOD DATE	AGENCY	CALENDAR YEAR

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MONTH	PAY PER. NO.	ANNUAL TAKEN HRS.	ANNUAL TAKEN TOTAL	ANNUAL HRS. ACCR.	SICK TAKEN HRS.	SICK TAKEN TOTAL	SICK HRS. ACCR.
JANUARY	2			4			10
	3			12			
	4			20			
FEBRUARY	5			28			20
	6			36			
MARCH	7			44			30
	8			52			
APRIL	9	24	24	60			40
	10			68			
	11	8	32	76			
MAY	12			84			50
	13	8	40	92			
JUNE	14			100			60
	15			108			

MONTH	PAY PER. NO.	ANNUAL TAKEN HRS.	ANNUAL TAKEN TOTAL	ANNUAL HRS. ACCR.	SICK TAKEN HRS.	SICK TAKEN TOTAL	SICK HRS. ACCR.
JULY	16			116			70
	17	40	80	124			
AUGUST	18	80	160	192			80
	19			140			
SEPTEMBER	20			148			90
	21	7	167	156	8	8	
OCTOBER	22			164			91
	23			172	1	9	
	24			180			
NOVEMBER	25			188			99
	26			196	8	17	
DECEMBER	1			204			99
	2a	8	175	208			

ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY
W—AWL—SUSPENDED

DATE	TYPE	HRS.	TOTAL

REMARKS

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COMPENSATORY TIME RECORD

PAY PERIOD	HOURS WORKED	HOURS TAKEN	BAL.

YEARLY SUMMARY (HOURS)

ITEM	ANN.	SICK
BAL. FORWARDED	712	638
YR. ACCRUAL	208	99
TOTAL	920	737
TOTAL TAKEN	175	17
BALANCE	745	720

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME AND INITIAL	IDENTIFICATION No.	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT	EOD DATE	AGENCY	CALENDAR YEAR
SA Branigan,	William A.			7-14-41		1950

Branigan, William A., SA	6 [illegible]	7-14-[illegible]			
LAST NAME FIRST NAME AND INITIAL	IDENTIFICATION No.	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT	EOD DATE	AGENCY	CALENDAR YEAR

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MONTH	PAY PER. No.	ANNUAL TAKEN HRS.	ANNUAL TAKEN TOTAL	ANNUAL HRS. ACCR.	SICK TAKEN HRS.	SICK TAKEN TOTAL	SICK HRS. ACCR.
JANUARY	2			6	8	8	4
	3	6	6	12			8
	4			18	16	24	12
FEBRUARY	5	8	14	24			16
	6	2	16	30			20
MARCH	7			36			24
	8	5	21	42			28
	9	2	23	48			32
APRIL	10			54			36
	11			60			40
MAY	12	3	26	66			44
	13			72			48
JUNE	14			78			52
	15	2	28	84			56

MONTH	PAY PER. No.	ANNUAL TAKEN HRS.	ANNUAL TAKEN TOTAL	ANNUAL HRS. ACCR.	SICK TAKEN HRS.	SICK TAKEN TOTAL	SICK HRS. ACCR.
JULY	16	7	35	90			60
	17	24	59	96			64
AUGUST	18			102			68
	19	9	68	108			72
	20	11	79	114			76
SEPTEMBER	21	2	81	120			80
	22	5	86	126			84
OCTOBER	23			132			88
	24			138			92
NOVEMBER	25	8	94	144			96
	26			150			100
DECEMBER	27	10	104	160			104
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ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY
W—AWL—SUSPENDED

DATE	TYPE	HRS.	TOTAL
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COMPENSATORY TIME RECORD

PAY PERIOD	HOURS WORKED	HOURS TAKEN	BAL.

YEARLY SUMMARY (HOURS)

ITEM	ANN.	SICK
BAL. FORWARDED	712	778
YR. ACCRUAL	166	108
TOTAL	878	886
TOTAL TAKEN	174	24
BALANCE	704	862

LAST NAME FIRST NAME AND INITIAL	IDENTIFICATION No.	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT	EOD DATE	AGENCY	CALENDAR YEAR
Branigan, William A., SA			7-14-41		1953

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME AND INITIAL	IDENTIFICATION No.	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT	EOD DATE	AGENCY	CALENDAR YEAR

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MONTH	PAY PER. NO.	ANNUAL TAKEN HRS.	ANNUAL TAKEN TOTAL	ANNUAL HRS. ACCR.	SICK TAKEN HRS.	SICK TAKEN TOTAL	SICK HRS. ACCR.
JANUARY	2			4	32	32	2
	3			10			6
	4			16			10
FEBRUARY	5			22			14
	6			28			18
MARCH	7	1	1	34			22
	8			40			26
	9			46			30
APRIL	10			52			34
	11			58			38
MAY	12	8	9	64	2	34	42
	13			70			46
JUNE	14	40	49	76			50
	15			82			54

MONTH	PAY PER. NO.	ANNUAL TAKEN HRS.	ANNUAL TAKEN TOTAL	ANNUAL HRS. ACCR.	SICK TAKEN HRS.	SICK TAKEN TOTAL	SICK HRS. ACCR.
JULY	16			88			58
	17			94			62
AUGUST	18	4	53	100			66
	19	14	67	106	2	36	70
	20	16	83	112			74
SEPTEMBER	21			118			78
	22	8	91	124	8	44	82
OCTOBER	23			130			86
	24			136			90
NOVEMBER	25	4	95	142			94
	26	32	127	148			98
DECEMBER	1			158			102

ABSENCE WITHOUT PAY
W—AWL—SUSPENDED

DATE	TYPE	HRS.	TOTAL

COMPENSATORY TIME RECORD

PAY PERIOD	HOURS WORKED	HOURS TAKEN	BAL.

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YEARLY SUMMARY (HOURS)

ITEM	ANN.	SICK
BAL. FORWARDED	712	720
YR. ACCRUAL	158	102
TOTAL	870	822
TOTAL TAKEN	127	44
BALANCE	743	778

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LAST NAME	FIRST NAME AND INITIAL	IDENTIFICATION No.	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT	EOD DATE	AGENCY	CALENDAR YEAR
Branigan	William A., SA			7-14-41		1952 Beb

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LAST NAME	FIRST NAME AND INITIAL	IDENTIFICATION No.	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT	EOD DATE	AGENCY	CALENDAR YEAR

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JANUARY	2			6			4	JULY	15			84			56	0			
	3			12			8		16			90			60	0			
	4			18	3	3	12												
FEBRUARY	5			24	10	13	16	AUGUST	17			96			64	0			
	6			30			20		18			102			68	0			
									19			108			72	0			
MARCH	7			36			24	SEPTEMBER	20			114			76	0			
	8			42			28		21			120			80	0			
APRIL	9	8	8	48			32	OCTOBER	22			126			84	0	REMARKS		
	10			54			36		23			132			88	0			
MAY	11	1	9	60			40	NOVEMBER	24			138			92	0			
	12	10	19	66			44		25	8	115	144			96	0			
JUNE	13	16	35	72			48	DECEMBER	26			154			100	0			
	14	72	107	78			52		1	16	131	160			104	0			
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COMPENSATORY TIME RECORD

PAY PERIOD	HOURS WORKED	HOURS TAKEN	BAL.

YEARLY SUMMARY (HOURS)

ITEM	ANN.	SICK
BAL. FORWARDED	704	862
YR. ACCRUAL	160	104
TOTAL	864	966
TOTAL TAKEN	131	72
BALANCE	733	953

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME AND INITIAL	IDENTIFICATION No.	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT	EOD DATE	AGENCY	CALENDAR YEAR
Branigan,	William A.,	SA		7-14-41		1954

LAST NAME	FIRST NAME AND INITIAL	IDENTIFICATION NO.	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT	EOD DATE	AGENCY	CALENDAR YEAR
Branigan,	William A.,	SA 6 til		7-14-56		

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REMARKS

COMPENSATORY TIME RECORD PAY PERIOD	HOURS WORKED	HOURS TAKEN	BAL.

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TOTAL TAKEN		
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LAST NAME	FIRST NAME AND INITIAL	IDENTIFICATION NO.	TYPE OF APPOINTMENT	EOD DATE	AGENCY	CALENDAR YEAR
Branigan,	William A.,	SA		7-14-41		1955

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CLINICAL RECORD	CONSULTATION SHEET

REQUEST

TO:	FROM: (Requesting ward, unit, or activity)	DATE OF REQUEST
EAR CLINIC	STAFF CLINIC	2-13-59

REASON FOR REQUEST (Complaints and findings)

This FBI SA appeared this date for his annual physical examination and it was noted he has never been afforded an audiogram. Please do audiogram for record purposes.

Thank you,

PROVISIONAL DIAGNOSIS

DOCTOR'S SIGNATURE	APPROVED	PLACE OF CONSULTATION	
S/ G. R. Johnston		☐ BEDSIDE ☒ ON CALL	☐ EMERGENCY ☒ ROUTINE

G. R. Johnston CAPT MC USN CONSULTATION REPORT

Exam shows mild acoustic trauma deafness on left. Will not interfere with duties.

S/ B. M. Webb

(Continued on reverse side)

SIGNATURE AND TITLE	DATE	IDENTIFICATION NO.	ORGANIZATION

PATIENT'S IDENTIFICATION (For typed or written entries give: Name—last, first, middle; grade; date; hospital or medical facility)	REGISTER NO.	WARD NO.
BRANIGAN, WILLIAM ALOYSIUS SPECIAL AGENT FBI		Staff Clinic

CONSULTATION SHEET
Standard Form 513

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ATTACHMENT TO STANDARD FORM 88, REPORT OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION

FOR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE OF MEDICAL EXAMINER

Name of Examinee: (Type or print) BRANIGAN (Last) WILLIAM (First) ALOYSIUS (Middle)

The following portions of the attached examination report form need not be completed:

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3	65
11	67
14	68
17	69
46	71
48	72
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46. Is necessary unless facilities for affording same are not readily available.

48. Not required unless examinee is over 35 years of age or examination indicates such is desirable.

49. Is necessary unless facilities for affording same are not readily available.

71. Audiometer examinations should be afforded whenever possible.

FOR ALL EXAMINEES, WHETHER CLERICAL OR SPECIAL AGENT APPLICANTS OR EMPLOYEES:

The medical examiner should answer the following question:

Examinee ☑ is ☐ is not qualified for strenous physical exertion.

TO BE ANSWERED IN THE CASE OF ALL MALE EMPLOYEES AND MALE APPLICANTS:

1. Does examinee have any defects restricting or prohibiting his participation in defensive tactics and dangerous assignments which might entail the practical use of firearms?
☑ No ☐ Yes. If "yes" please specify defects. _____

2. Does examinee have any defects prohibiting safe operation of motor vehicles?
☑ No ☐ Yes. If "yes" please specify defects. _____

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Weights for Males

Height Feet-Inches	SMALL FRAME		MEDIUM FRAME		LARGE FRAME	
	Desirable	Maximum	Desirable	Maximum	Desirable	Maximum
5 4	121-131	143	129-139	152	136-148	162
5 5	124-134	146	132-142	155	140-152	166
5 6	128-138	151	136-146	160	144-157	172
5 7	131-142	155	140-151	165	148-161	176
5 8	135-146	160	144-155	170	152-165	181
5 9	139-150	164	148-159	174	156-170	186
5 10	143-154	168	152-163	178	160-175	192
5 11	147-159	174	156-168	184	164-180	197
6 0	152-164	179	161-173	189	169-185	203
6 1	158-170	186	166-179	196	174-191	209
6 2	163-175	192	171-184	201	179-197	216
6 3	168-180	197	176-189	207	184-202	221
6 4	174-186	204	182-195	214	190-208	228
6 5	180-191	209	188-201	220	196-214	234

3. Examinee's frame is ☐ small ☐ medium ☒ large

4. Considering above weight table, the examinee's frame, and other individual physical characteristics, I consider his present weight · ☒ Satisfactory ☐ Excessive ☐ Deficient

5. Under proper medical supervision, examinee should ☐ lose _____ pounds

☐ gain _____ pounds

Remarks: _____

G. R. Johnston
(Signature of Medical Examiner)

MAR 231959
(Date)

July 14, 1959

PERSONAL

Dear Mr. Branigan:

I did want to congratulate you on this, your Eighteenth Anniversary in the service of the Bureau and extend my very best wishes. It has been through the loyalty and efforts of employees such as you that the Bureau has accomplished what it has, and I hope we may have the benefit of your services for many years to come.

Sincerely,

/S/ J. EDGAR HOOVER

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Anniversary 7/14 (Tues.)

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PAST SAFE DRIVING RECORD CERTIFICATION

TO BE FILLED IN BY OPERATOR

NAME OF OPERATOR (PRINT - LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL)	DATE
Branigan, William A.	6/1/59

DIVISION AND SECTION ASSIGNED	POSITION TITLE
Domestic Intelligence - Espionage Section	Special Agent

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT I PRESENTLY [X] HOLD [ ] DO NOT HOLD A VALID MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR'S PERMIT OR DRIVER'S LICENSE.

PERMIT ISSUED BY: (STATE, TERRITORY POSSESSION, DISTRICT)	PERMIT NUMBER	PERMIT EXPIRES
Commonwealth of Virginia	639911	3/31/60

THIS IS AN UNRESTRICTED (~~XXXXXXXX~~) PERMIT. (IF RESTRICTED, EXPLAIN BELOW)
(STRIKE OUT ONE)

THIS FURTHER CERTIFIES THAT DURING THE PAST THREE YEARS I HAVE DRIVEN A MOTOR VEHICLE (GOVERNMENT OR PERSONALLY OWNED) APPROXIMATELY 24,000 MILES. DURING THIS TIME (A) I [ ] HAVE [X] HAVE NOT RECEIVED A TRAFFIC VIOLATION TICKET; (B) I [ ] HAVE [X] HAVE NOT BEEN HELD AT FAULT* AS THE DRIVER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE INVOLVED IN A TRAFFIC ACCIDENT. IF AFFIRMATIVE ANSWER, PLEASE EXPLAIN IN ADJACENT SPACE GIVING NUMBER AND DATES OF OFFENSES.

* "AT FAULT" MEANS ANY CASE IN WHICH RESPONSIBILITY IS CONCEDED BY EMPLOYEE OR HIS INSURANCE COMPANY OR LIABILITY IS FIXED BY DULY CONSTITUTED AUTHORITY.

William A. Branigan
SIGNATURE OF OPERATOR

TO BE FILLED IN BY REVIEWING OFFICIAL

NAME OF REVIEWING OFFICIAL (PRINT - LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL)	POSITION TITLE	DATE
MOORE, DONALD E	INSPECTOR	6/1/59

THE PERSONNEL FILE OF THIS EMPLOYEE HAS BEEN REVIEWED AND REFLECTS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS DURING THE PAST THREE YEARS:

[X] CONTINUOUS SAFE DRIVING RECORD

[ ] INVOLVED IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENT AND FOUND AT FAULT **

I CERTIFY THAT THIS EMPLOYEE IS:

[X] QUALIFIED ON THE BASIS OF HIS SAFE DRIVING RECORD TO OPERATE MOTOR VEHICLES ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

[ ] NOT QUALIFIED AND MUST DEMONSTRATE HIS QUALIFICATIONS BY SATISFACTORILY PASSING A ROAD TEST EXAMINATION BEFORE OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

REMARKS:

RECORDED

** "AT FAULT" MEANS ANY CASE IN WHICH THE BUREAU HAS TAKEN DISCIPLINARY ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION AGAINST THE EMPLOYEE.

Donald E. Moore
(SIGNATURE OF REVIEWING OFFICIAL)

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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

5-14-59

I certify that I have received the following Government property for official use:
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Key to [redacted] Room 2714

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The Government property which you hereby acknowledge is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care of it and returning it when its use has been completed. DO NOT MARK OR WRITE ON IT OR MUTILATE IT IN ANY WAY.

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Very truly yours,

(Written Signature) William A. Branigan

(Typed Signature) William A Branigan

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

DATE: 7/1/59

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FROM : A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: William A. Branigan
Section Chief, GS-15
Domestic Intelligence Section

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Mr. Branigan is Chief of the Espionage Section of the Domestic Intelligence Division. This section has the responsibility (U) of penetrating, infiltrating and counteracting the activities of the Soviet bloc intelligence services in the United States. This is one of the heaviest responsibilities the Bureau has today. (S)

Under Mr. Branigan's leadership, the Espionage Section has been (U) attacking the problem of Soviet bloc espionage with vigor and imagination. For example, the Intensification Program was devised by this section. Through this specific program we follow the activities of Soviet bloc intelligence agents and probe their weaknesses, as well as disrupt their activities. (S)

An outgrowth of the Intensification [redacted] program, which seeks to place persons in touch with the Soviet bloc to (U) develop associations to be exploited by us. The number of double agents we are operating against the Soviet bloc has constantly increased to the point that we now have tripled the number we had in 1956. (S)

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Mr. Branigan is supervising one of the most difficult fields in our security work. He has provided leadership, imagination, enthusiasm, and the desire to overcome the problems facing us. He is completely loyal to the Bureau and the Director, and is a career employee.

When Inspector Moore is absent from his desk, Mr. Branigan takes it over in the capacity of Branch Chief in Charge of the Espionage-Central Research Branch.

At such time as funds are available, I respectfully suggest that Mr. Branigan be considered for reallocation to Grade GS-16.

AHB:LL
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Memo to the Director
Re: William A. Branigan

ADDENDUM OF ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION: (EJI:akc 7/10/59) -

SA Branigan entered on duty 7/14/41 and is in GS 15, $13,670 per annum. He has been in grade GS 15 since 2/28/54. He served in the Los Angeles and San Francisco Offices prior to his assignment to the Domestic Intelligence Division on 8/13/47. As Chief of the Espionage Section, he has responsibility for some of the most complex and important cases under the Bureau's jurisdiction. His over-all record has been above average. On 9/16/58 he was censured and placed on probation because of the activities of Special Agent Supervisors in the Domestic Intelligence Division who had been discovered engaging in improper practices after they had officially signed the attendance registers. On 11/12/58 he was continued on probation as a result of weaknesses discovered during the inspection of the Domestic Intelligence Division. He was removed from probation on 3/11/59 after a recheck inspection conducted by Inspector Malone in February, 1959, revealed that the weaknesses in his section had been corrected. During the recheck inspection the Inspector commented that he was sincere, conscientious, and had an excellent knowledge of Bureau operations, particularly in the espionage field.

On 3/31/59 Mr. D. E. Moore rated him satisfactory and commented that he has an outstanding knowledge of espionage and intelligence investigations, is alert, has the ability to direct subordinate personnel, and is a most effective Bureau representative. He was considered to have performed in an excellent manner and the over-all rating of satisfactory resulted from the fact that he had been on probation during a substantial part of the rating period.

Latest physical examination report for SA Branigan dated 2/13/59 reflects he was 5 feet 11 inches tall, weighed 175 pounds, and had a large frame. The desirable range for one of his height and frame is 164 to 180.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Administrative Division concurs in the recommendation of the Domestic Intelligence Division that SA Branigan be reallocated to grade GS 16 at this time.

GRC 7/10 Agree 7/10 Agree 7/10 I suggest reconsideration on 1-1-60

Jurisdiction set to recommence EJI/akc 7/13/59

I concur. K.

A PERMANENT BRIEF OF SA BRANIGAN'S FILE IS ATTACHED.

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DIRECTOR, FBI 7/20/39

SAC, WFO b1

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(S) [redacted] (X) BRANIGAN, WILLIAM A

WASHINGTON F.O.

Attached are recommendations for incentive awards and commendations for employees of this office who partici-

(S) [redacted] b1 b7E

(S) [redacted] (X) Specific letters of commendation are being recommended for those Agents who did outstanding work. Other Agents who handled routine assignments during the operation, but whose efforts contributed to its success, are having this fact noted in their personnel folders. While they did good work, it is not felt their performance was such that would necessitate special recognition by the Bureau.

A specific recommendation is attached concerning the outstanding performance of Miss [redacted] of the Bureau Health Service. (X) b6

I wish to acknowledge and express my sincere appreciation for the excellent cooperation, assistance and guidance afforded this office by employees and officials of the Administrative, Domestic Intelligence and Laboratory Divisions. Employees and officials in these various divisions gave unsparingly of their time and efforts in order to make this operation a success. Without their assistance and guidance, this operation could not possibly have been carried out. It is respectfully suggested that the heads of these Divisions make recommendations concerning commendations and awards.

For the information of the Bureau, I personally handled the over-all supervision and participated in the planning of instant [redacted] during the pertinent period, I was with SAs [redacted] and

(S) [redacted] and together with SA [redacted] obtained certain [redacted] which had been removed from the [redacted] This was obtained by me under the circumstances and conditions as set forth in the write-up on [redacted] (X) b1 b6 b7E

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ADDENDUM: CJV: skw 7-29-59

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From its inception, the contacting agent with the informant was SA Landon L. McDowell who, by his guidance, understanding and ability to completely win the confidence of the informant,

(S)

SA Malcolm C. Mueller was the alternate contact with the informant. He won the confidence of the informant and was of inestimable value in relieving SA McDowell of many administrative details re handling of case. He

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(S) [redacted] (S) b1

(S) [redacted] SA [redacted] was assigned as the alternate contact with informant and [redacted] operation. He participated in numerous contacts with the informant, was of inestimable value in relieving SA McDowell of many administrative details and was responsible for analyzing and preparing material disseminated in this matter. (S) [redacted] (S)

SA [redacted] is the security coordinating supervisor in WFO and has had the over-all supervision of this case since its inception. He has displayed great ingenuity in devising some of the phases of this operation, made innumerable suggestions of inestimable value, provided expert instruction and direction in the handling of this case, and he assisted in (S) [redacted] (S) Under the most trying conditions, he functioned in a cool, calm and collected manner which assured the successful (S) [redacted] (S) (S) b1 b6

SA [redacted] assumed the duties of staff supervisor in April, 1959, which included the immediate and personal supervision of this operation. He participated in (S) [redacted] He has been responsible for following detailed operational matters in connection with this case on a day-to-day basis and for organizing the numerous phases of the operation surrounding (S) [redacted] (S) [redacted] (S) [redacted] bold and alert action. He personally supervised the (S) [redacted] (S) [redacted] (S) [redacted] (S) [redacted] (S)

(S) [redacted]

(S) [redacted]

(S) [redacted]

(S) [redacted]

successfully accomplished and without perfect communications this operation could not have been successfully consummated. SA Peter J. Murphy, Jr., [redacted]

(S) [redacted]

[redacted] His outstanding personality and understanding of the problems [redacted] and has resulted in very amicable relations being established. SAs Robert L. Scharf and Ernest J. Landreville were responsible for the processing of the

(S) [redacted]

(S) [redacted]

[redacted] This was a tedious and exacting assignment which had to be successful

(S) [redacted]

period are the following: [redacted]

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RECOMMENDATION OF SAC, WFO:

SAC, WFO, makes the following recommendations re incentive awards: SA McDowell $500, SA Mueller $200, SA [redacted], Supervisor [redacted] and SA [redacted] In addition, SAC, WFO, recommends the following agents receive letters of commendation: SA [redacted] SA [redacted] SA DeNeale, SA Murphy, [redacted] SA Scharf and SA Landreville.

(S) [redacted] b1

RECOMMENDATIONS OF DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION:

Domestic Intelligence Division concurs with recommendations of SAC, WFO, relative to the above-mentioned incentive awards and letters of commendation.

In addition to the above recommendations the SAC, WFO, recommended a $250 incentive award for SA [redacted] of the Domestic Intelligence Division. [redacted] was the

(U) [redacted]

(S) [redacted]

In view of his sound guidance, control and supervision of this case while a WFO supervisor, Domestic Intelligence Division agrees with SAC, WFO, recommendation that SA [redacted] be awarded $250. b1 b6

From its inception, SA M. W. Kuhrtz of Liaison has been instrumental in successfully and effectively coordinating activities pertaining to this operation between ACSI and USIB.

(S) [redacted]

(S) [redacted] In recent weeks, SA Kuhrtz has effectively handled liaison with the USIB and even though a large number of high-ranking persons in the U.S. Government had to be advised in advance [redacted] no leaks occurred. This

(S) is directly attributable to the excellent manner in which SA Kuhrtz handled his duties. Therefore, it is recommended SA Kuhrtz receive a letter of commendation.

[redacted] of the Bureau's Health Service was

(S) [redacted]

[redacted] She administered to the child and recommended a doctor be called. This was done and by the

(S) following day the child was well on the way to recovery. [redacted] refused relief until the child's condition was normal. She assisted

(S) [redacted] (S)

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(S) [redacted] (S)

In view of her high devotion to the principles of the nursing profession and her outstanding performance which contributed greatly to the success of this operation, it is recommended [redacted] receive a letter of commendation. (S)

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SAC James H. Gale took charge of WFO on 5-11-59. Since that time, he has taken an active part in the formulation of the (S) [redacted] He has contributed timely and pertinent suggestions and taken a positive and aggressive approach to the problems at hand, which approach instilled an air of confidence and assurance in all personnel involved and led to the (S) [redacted] SAC Gale personally handled the over-all supervision and participated and gave on-the-spot supervision at (S) [redacted] under close, uncomfortable and trying conditions, but despite these handicaps gave excellent direction and guidance. SAC Gale personally took part (S) [redacted] under the most trying conditions and without any incident.

In view of SAC Gale's splendid performance in the case, it is recommended he be granted an incentive award of $300.

(S) WFO Letter to Director FBI 7/28/59
RE: [redacted] (S) b1

(S) ADDENDUM (OAE:hmm 7/29/59): [redacted] (S)
has evoked many commendatory statements from high-ranking officials of other Government agencies indicating that the information received and disseminated from this operation was of outstanding value to the U. S. Government, was well written and apparently prepared with great care. This operation was the most sensitive and most valuable in our operations in the Soviet-bloc category. The (S) informant was operated as a "defector in place" which represents the ultimate in intelligence objectives. [redacted] represents a distinct accomplishment for the Bureau. (S) b1

There is attached a memorandum from Branigan to Belmont dated 7/28/59 covering in detail the excellent supervision of this operation at the Seat of Government on behalf of Supervisor [redacted] recommending [redacted] b6

This case, since its inception, has been handled in the Satellite Unit of the Espionage Section under the immediate supervision of Special Agent Joseph J. Meehan, Supervisor in Charge. Meehan has made many constructive suggestions and given close analytical thinking to this delicate operation based on his keen incite and detailed knowledge [redacted] b1

(S) [redacted] (S)

RECOMMENDATION:

Recommend a letter of commendation be forwarded to SA Meehan.

ADDENDUM (AMB:hmm) 7/29/59: Section Chief William A. Branigan has had over-all responsibility for the supervision and direction of this delicate operation insofar as the Espionage Section is concerned. He has afforded this unique operation his personal supervision, working closely with field personnel to protect

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(S) WFO Letter to Director FBI 7/28/59
RE: [redacted]

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ADDENDUM (AHB:hmm) 7/29/59 (Continued):

(S) the security of the [redacted] He has participated in conferences, exhibiting a clear analysis of the over-all situation, being constantly aware of Bureau policies and objectives in helping to set policy with constructive guidance. Throughout this operation Branigan has endeavored always to seek the ultimate net advantage to U. S. intelligence, yet skillfully staying within the confines of the jurisdiction of the Bureau.

Close supervision and constructive suggestions, particularly with regard to dissemination have been made by Supervisor Otho A. Ezell, the No. One Man of the Espionage Section. While the Section Chief was on leave during the
(S) week [redacted] this operation from Section level was under direct supervision by Ezell. He took hold with enthusiasm to see that over-all planning was in order and that advance dissemination matters be prepared where possible. He was on duty beginning 5:15 a.m., 7/25/59, during the final stages rendering assistance and participating in the evaluation of the problems that arose during the day.

Inspector D. E. Moore in charge of Espionage and Central Research has likewise afforded this operation close personal direction, has participated in conferences voicing many worthwhile suggestions. Mr. Moore has always seriously considered the unusual and aggressive recommendations made by the Espionage Section carefully, weighing the risks involved with expected results, balancing the possibilities of embarrassment and international repercussions should something go wrong before approving such recommendations. Moore afforded this operation his personal direction during the early hours of 7/25/59, prior to his departure on annual leave, being constantly on the alert to any situation which might cause embarrassment to the Bureau.

Inspector Joseph A. Sizoo, in my absence, maintained the division supervision over this operation which required close coordination of activities with the Washington Field Office together with Seat of Government supervisory interests in this and other Divisions. He passed on and made Bureau decisions

(S) [redacted]

(S) WFO Letter to Director FBI 7/28/59

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RECOMMENDATION:

For the reasons set forth above, I recommend that letters of commendation be directed to Supervisor C. A. Ezell, Section Chief William A. Branigan and Inspectors Donald E. Moore and Joseph A. Sizoo.

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October 1, 1959

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Branigan:

I am most appreciative of the exceptional manner in which you discharged your responsibilities in connection with a highly confidential matter of great importance to the Bureau in the security field. I am also aware of the splendid manner in which others in your section carried out their assignments and I want you to convey my sincere thanks to them.

The delicate nature of this assignment required the utmost in skill and discretion on your part in the expeditious handling of voluminous material and in the efficient execution of the various phases of this difficult undertaking. This was a job especially well done and one in which admirable ability was exhibited by all in the discharge of their responsibilities. It is a pleasure to commend you and your associates.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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1 - Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)
Re Khruvis. Place a copy of this letter in the files of the personnel who assisted.
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(Written Signature) W. A. Branigan

(Typed Signature) William A. Branigan

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

RE: SA WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
(type or print plainly)

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of $10, payable to the Assistant Director, Administrative Division, FBI, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for a continuous period of two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Assistant Director of the Administrative Division of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Assistant Director of the Administrative Division, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $10,000. The liability of the fund shall not under any circumstances exceed the amount of monies in the fund at the time any liability shall occur. The following person is designated as my beneficiary for FBI Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name LOIS HALLENBECK BRANIGAN Relationship WIFE Date SEPT 28, 1959

Address 2317 N. KENTUCKY ST., ARLINGTON, VA.

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing $1500 death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in the line of duty.

Name LOIS HALLENBECK BRANIGAN Relationship WIFE Date SEPT. 28, 1959

Address 2317 N. KENTUCKY ST., ARLINGTON, VA.

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Very truly yours,

William A. Branigan

Special Agent

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MR. A. H. BELMONT

September 29, 1959

MR. D. E. MOORE

cc Mr. Belmont
Mr. J.P.Mohr
Mr. Branigan file
[redacted] file
Mr. Turner file
Commendation file

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(U) KHRUVIS (S)
COMMENDATION MATTER

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PURPOSE:

The purpose of this memorandum is to recommend commendation for Supervisor [redacted], Supervisor-in-Charge Elbert T. Turner of the Soviet Espionage Unit, Section Chief William A. Branigan of the Espionage Section, and the SAC's of the New York and Washington Field Offices. Since the announcement was first made about the visit of (U) Soviet Premier Khrushchev to the United States, there has been a large volume of important work handled in the Soviet Espionage Unit of the Espionage Section and this work has been handled promptly and efficiently.

DETAILS:

During August and September of 1959 prior to and during the (U) visit of Premier Khrushchev to the United States, the Soviet Espionage Unit handled a large volume of correspondence and a large volume of (U) work quickly and efficiently. Prior to the coming of Khrushchev to the United States, appropriate instructions were issued to the field with regard to Bureau responsibilities and action to be taken by the various offices and immediately prior to the visit and during the visit a large volume of information was handled by the Soviet Espionage Unit, analyzed and disseminated. Some idea of the volume is shown by the (U) fact that while Khrushchev was in the United States (from September 15 to September 27, 1959) there were approximately 156 separate memoranda disseminated directly to the State Department and 57 to the Secret Service. In addition, there were approximately 100 more letters prepared at the Seat of Government which were disseminated to responsible Government officials, including many which were sent to the White House, the Vice President and the Attorney General. In addition to this, 230 name checks were made for the Department of State concerning (U) the Khrushchev party.

The primary responsibility with regard to the review and (U) dissemination of material relative to the Khrushchev visit was handled

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by Supervisor [redacted] and he did an excellent job, promptly reviewed material on receipt, disseminating to State, Secret Service and other agencies where appropriate, conducting necessary reviews of Bureau files and dictating communications to agencies where desirable and all in all, seeing that Bureau responsibilities with regard to Khrushchev's visit were efficiently handled. It is, therefore, recommended that SA [redacted] receive a letter of commendation.

(U) Supervisor-in-Charge Elbert T. Turner during this period participated in the dissemination of information regarding the visit of Khrushchev, including the reviewing of incoming and outgoing material. In addition, Turner did voluminous research work thru Bureau files to obtain material for utilization in connection with the preparation of a brief for the Director regarding Soviet (U) espionage activities. He also during this period was in charge of preparing for a conference held at the Seat of Government on September 14, 1959, attended by representatives of the Chicago, New York and Washington Field Offices and personnel of the Domestic Intelligence Division and also making arrangements for the forthcoming Internal Security-Espionage Conference set for October 22 and 23, 1959. Turner did an excellent job in handling all of this work during this period and it is, therefore, recommended he receive a letter of commendation.

(U) During this period Section Chief William A. Branigan administered the work in the Espionage Section in a very efficient manner and actively participated in the dissemination of material on an expedite basis, including dictation of material to the various outside agencies. He has kept the Section functioning on a current basis and has seen that Bureau responsibilities in the espionage intelligence field were fully met during Khrushchev's visit to the United States. It is, therefore, recommended he receive a letter of commendation. In this regard, several other employees of the Espionage Section participated to a lesser extent (U) in the processing of name checks, dissemination of material relating to the visit of Khrushchev and while it is not believed their work merits individual letters of commendation, a copy of the letter to Mr. Branigan will be placed in their files in recognition of

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their services.

(U) Immediately prior to and during the Khrushchev visit, the New York and Washington Field Offices, where Soviet diplomatic establishments are located, furnished the Bureau promptly with pertinent intelligence information which was of great benefit to the State Department, Secret Service and, in many cases, to the White House, Vice President and Attorney General. New York and Washington Field performed very efficiently in this regard and it is, therefore, recommended that a general letter of commendation be sent to the Special Agents in Charge at New York and Washington Field.

ACTION:

If you approve, it is recommended that this memorandum be forwarded to the Administrative Division for appropriate action.

STANDARD FORM NO. 64

Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : MR. MOHR

DATE: 9-23-59

FROM : W. S. TAVEL

SUBJECT: INSPECTOR'S AIDE TRAINING

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By memo 9-18-59 individuals were recommended for attendance at administrative schools beginning 10-12-59 and 10-26-59. Certain of these individuals were recommended to receive Inspector's Aide Training while in attendance at the schools on 10-23-24-59 and 11-6-7-59 respectively. This was approved.

The following Seat of Government Supervisors who have not as yet received training as Inspector's Aides should be instructed to report for this training as indicated.

CLASS OF 10-23-24-59

[redacted] — Investigative
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CLASS OF 11-6-7-59

William A. Branigan — Domestic Intelligence
Domestic Intelligence
Crime Records

[redacted]

RECOMMENDATION:

That the above named be instructed to report for Inspector's Aide Training as indicated.

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1 - Training and Inspection Division
1 - Mr. C. J. Moran

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(Written Signature) William A. Branigan

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Mr. Alan H. Belmont
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Wm A Branigan

Dear Mr. Belmont:

I am pleased to commend, through you, my associates in the Domestic Intelligence Division who made such material contributions to the success of an operation in the security field of extreme importance to our country.

I was very impressed with the aggressive, alert and competent manner in which they discharged their responsibilities of directing and guiding the activities of the field in order that this undertaking could be carried out with the highest degree of success. They displayed outstanding judgment and intelligence in meeting and overcoming the many difficulties which are inherent in an operation of this nature and their services were in keeping with the finest traditions of the Bureau. I want you to convey my sincere appreciation to them.

Sincerely yours,

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(S) Re: [redacted] (S)

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[redacted]

Mr. Alan H. Belmont
Washington, D. C.

Place copy of this letter in files of following personnel:

Otho A. Ezell
M. W. Kuhrtz
William A. Branigan
D. E. Moore
Joseph A. Sizoo

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TO : MR. MOHR

FROM : W. S. TAVEL

William C. Branigan

(S) SUBJECT: [redacted] (S)
INCENTIVE AWARD AND
COMMENDATION MATTER

C. Ray Davidson
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PURPOSE: To advise of recommendations received from Washington Field office (WFO), Domestic Intelligence Division (DID), and the Laboratory for 8 incentive awards and 29 letters of commendation for contributions

(S) [redacted]

BACKGROUND: [redacted] (S)

(S) [redacted]

(S) [redacted]

(S) [redacted]

performed under most dangerous and arduous conditions requiring judgment and cool, clear thinking on part of entire personnel participating in operation. (S)

JUSTIFICATION FOR INCENTIVE AWARDS: The following agents made the most substantial contributions to the development and handling [redacted]

(S) [redacted] (S) The files of these agents have all been reviewed and reflect that they all have very fine records and there appears no reason why they should not be approved for incentive awards. The amount of awards recommended by SAC, WFO and/or DID is parenthetically set out opposite their names. SOG Supervisor [redacted] was recommended for promotion to grade GS-14 and if not possible was recommended for and incentive award;

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(S) Memorandum Tavel to Mohr
RE: [redacted]

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SA LANDON L. McDOWELL ($500): Contacting agent with informant since inception. His guidance, understanding and persuasiveness were primarily responsible (S) [redacted] Received $500 incentive award 1-29-58 for outstanding work in original development of this informant.

SA MALCOLM G. MUELLER ($200): From 2/57 until 10/58 was alternate contact with informant. Was of inestimable value in relieving SA McDowell of many administrative details. (S) [redacted] (S)

(S) [redacted]

(S) [redacted]

(S) [redacted]

(S) [redacted]

(S) [redacted]

(S) [redacted]

(S) [redacted]

(S) [redacted]

SAC JAMES H. GALE ($300): Since assignment as SAC, WFO, on 5-11-59 has taken an active personal part in formulation of plans leading up to (S) [redacted] Has contributed timely and pertinent suggestions and has taken positive and aggressive approach to problems at hand.

Responsible for instilling air of confidence and assurance in all personnel involved and led to the successful consummation of this

(S) [redacted]

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Memorandum Tavel to Mohr
(S) RE: [redacted]

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(S) [redacted]

(S) [redacted]

of operation attributed in a large measure to [redacted] capable supervision.

JUSTIFICATION FOR COMMENDATION: SAC, WFO recommended 15 agents for commendation each of whom played a prominent part in this major operation. These recommendations appear justified. Also recommended commendation for

(S) [redacted]

DID recommended commendation for Section Chief William A. Branigan, Supervisor Otho A. Ezell, and Inspectors D. E. Moore and Joseph A. Sizoo. Also recommended for commendation was SA [redacted] of the Liaison Section [redacted] Each of foregoing played prominent part in handling of Bureau's responsibilities in this operation and appear justified.

Assistant Chief of Staff-Intelligence
U.S. Intelligence Board

Laboratory recommended commendation for two agents, one photographer, one Laboratory Aide, three Translators and Section Chief Downing for vital contributions to handling of material procured as a

(S) [redacted] Each appears deserving.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(S) 1. In view of the major contributions made by SA [redacted] it is recommended that he be approved for a cash award of $400.

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I agree
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Memorandum Tavel to Mohr
RE: [redacted] (S) b1

2. In view of the material contributions made by the following, it is recommended that each be approved for a cash award of $200: SA Malcolm G. Mueller, [redacted] SAC James H. Gale.

I agree JPM 7/30 | I agree 7/30 FH | OK H | I agree T per ERC 7/30 | Letter & Authorizations 8-7-59 afh

[redacted]

I agree JPM 7/30 | I agree 7/30 FH | Ok H | I agree T pe ERC 7/30 | Ltr & auth 8-7-59 afh b6

4. That the following agents of the WFO be commended for the substantial contributions made by them to the success of this operation: SA [redacted] SA Densil E. Moore, [redacted], SA John V. DeNeale, SA Peter J. Murphy, Jr., SA Paul K. Brown, [redacted], SA Robert L. Scharf, and SA Ernest J. Landreville.

Suggest they all be commended as a team operation by letter to SAC.
JPM 7/30 yes H Done 8-7-59 afh I agree T pe ERC 7/30
I agree Fh 7/30

(S) [redacted] (S)

I agree JPM 7/30 | OK H | I agree FH 7/30 | I agree T pe ERC 7/30
Done 8-7-59 afh

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Memorandum Tavel to Mohr
RE: [redacted]

6. That SAs Supervisor Otho A. Axell, Liaison Agent M. W. Kuhrtz, Section Chief William A. Branigan, and Inspectors D. E. Moore and Joseph A. Sizoo of the DID be commended.

suggest one letter to Belmont commending staff.
JPM 7/30 — yes H — I agree FH 7/30 — Done 8-7-59 afh — I agree Type ERC 7/30

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7. That SAs [redacted] and Lyndal L. Shaneufelt, Photographer [redacted] Laboratory Aide [redacted] Translators [redacted] as well as Section Chief Churchill F. Downing of the Laboratory be commended for their material contributions to this case.

Suggest one letter to Parsons commending staff
JPM 7/30 — yes H — I agree FH 7-30 — I agree Type ERC 7/30 — Separate lett of comm to [redacted] since he has now retⁱd to Miami

Send separate letter to [redacted] since assigned to N. Y.
JPM 8/11 — Done 8/11/59 — Done 8-7-59

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PERMANENT BRIEFS OF THE FILES OF THOSE RECOMMENDED FOR INCENTIVE AWARDS ARE ATTACHED.

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January 11, 1960

PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Branigan:

I am aware of your competent supervision at the Seat of Government of a highly confidential operation in the New York Division of much interest to the Bureau in the security field and I want you to know that I am most appreciative.

A great deal of the credit for the splendid success attained in this major undertaking should be given you in tribute to the guidance and direction you afforded the field in the execution of this operation. You displayed keen perception and sound judgment in the decisions you made and your assistance was of material consequence in the exceptional work done.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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Mr. Ingram

Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)
Re: KAROT, ESPIONAGE-R.

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Memorandum

1 - Belmont
1 - Branigan
1 - D. E. Moore
1 - Administrative Division
1 - Litrento

TO : Mr. B. Belmont

FROM : W. A. Branigan

DATE: December

SUBJECT: KAROT
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New York

Tele. Room
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KAROT is the code name for this investigation which involves [redacted] a Soviet illegal agent we uncovered and succeeded in breaking in March, 1959, and who is presently operating as a double agent under our direction in New York. This case represents unquestionably our most important penetration of Soviet illegal (deep cover) operations in recent years. Through it we have gained a keen insight and a tremendous amount of heretofore unknown information relating to techniques employed by the Soviets in connection with the entry, methods of communication, and methods of operation of a Soviet illegal agent. This case has required and will continue to require most delicate handling since [redacted] is a Soviet citizen [redacted] Initially we were confronted with his fears that his cooperation would become known to the Soviets and thus jeopardize the lives of his family; however, through careful handling by our agents, he has become assured of our ability to operate him. A most recent development has been the discovery by our New York Office on December [redacted], 1959, that [redacted]

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Attached New York letter December 21, 1959, cites the outstanding work performed by various New York Office personnel in this case since March, 1959, and recommends that the Bureau give them appropriate recognition. New York points out that by its nature this case has developed into two separate but complementary phases: (1) the handling of the informant, and (2) investigative aspects to develop the whole picture of Soviet illegal espionage activities.

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Concerning phase 1, New York advises that since March, 1959, informant has been in daily contact, either telephonically or personally, with New York agents charged with the responsibility of handling him; that due to his Soviet background and fear of reprisals against his family in the Soviet Union, many problems were encountered by these agents; that the accomplishments achieved in this investigation must in large part be attributed to these agents who daily nurtured the relationship between

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Memorandum from Branigan to Belmont
RE: [redacted]
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the Bureau and the informant calming his fears of detection and counseling and directing him in such a fashion as to make him look good in the eyes of his Soviet superiors and at the same time make available to us valuable information concerning the operation of Soviet illegals in this country. The principal agent in contact with the informant has been Special Agent [redacted], and his alternates have been Special Agents JAMES P. KEHOE and JOSEPH F. DIFFLEY. According to New York, due to the nature of their assignment, their personal lives have been subject to the requirements of their assignments in handling this informant and many weekends, evenings, and holidays as well as regular working hours have been spent in the company of the informant or in performing tasks necessary to the continued success of this relationship.

New York Office recommends that Agents [redacted] KEHOE, and DIFFLEY be awarded $200 each as incentive awards for their sustained, above-average performance since March, 1959, in overcoming unusual difficulties and obstacles in the handling of [redacted]

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Concerning phase 2, New York points out the problems encountered in the investigative aspects of this case, such as plans that had to be formulated in covering various drops and signal and meeting areas identified to us by [redacted] for future use in this case, with the realization that this whole operation could be jeopardized in the event anyone became aware of FBI interest in these areas; such plans included the necessity of securing observation posts in the various areas which had to be in individual homes, business and industrial establishments, wherever the physical conditions permitted secure discreet observation of the pertinent areas. Also, dry runs were necessary to determine the feasible amount of coverage in these areas, etc. New York pointed out that when [redacted] appeared at the "Mr. Edwards" drop on December 5, 1959, and was identified by agent personnel, the weeks and months of detailed planning paid off. New York advised that the original contacts to secure the observation posts and the development of the detailed plans were handled by Special Agent JAMES P. KEHOE, assisted by Special Agent FRANCIS JOSEPH KEHOE and that these agents contributed many long hours during evenings and weekends as well as during regular working hours in order to effect the required coverage.

New York recommends that Special Agent FRANCIS JOSEPH KEHOE receive an incentive award of $200 for his sustained, above-average performance, creative efforts and ideas which made possible the identification of [redacted] with full security to the informant and to the overall investigation.

Memorandum from Branigan to Belmont
Re: KAROT
105-76241 (S)(4)

New York recommends individual letters of commendation for Special Agents [redacted], [redacted], and ROBERT E. SHORTELLE who were present in the observation posts in the vicinity of the "Mr. Edwards" drop. New York also recommends letters of commendation for the following New York agents:

Special Agent ALBERT C. WOODCOCK - He manned observation post overlooking Soviet establishment at 680 Park Avenue, New York City, December 5, 1959, and contributed to resolving identification of [redacted] when he observed [redacted] in these premises some three hours after activity at the "Mr. Edwards" drop which is located in Queens County, New York. (S)(4)

[redacted]

Special Agents JAMES E. FREANEY and [redacted] - These agents had assignment of securing observation posts and other discreet coverage in the other drop areas which were not used; however, New York feels that the enthusiasm and initiative of these agents in this assignment were notable and worthy of commendation. b6 b7D

Special Agents [redacted] and CARLYLE B. MILLER - These agents were utilized to contact scores of firms and individuals to secure a supply of several rare chemical compounds which are necessary components in developing the secret writing used by the informant. Two of these compounds were rare in chemical circles and through the efforts of these agents a supply of these chemicals was made available by contacts they made at Ciba Laboratories and Antara Chemicals. (S)(4)

Special Agent [redacted] who has handled various phases of this investigation such as assisting in writing reports; [redacted]

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SAC, New York, also recommends letters of commendation to ASAC JOSEPH L. SCHMIDT for his effective manner in fulfilling his administrative and leadership responsibilities in this case; to Staff Supervisor ARNOLD E. BRANDT who had over-all responsibility for this case and

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Memorandum from Branigan to Belmont
Re: KAROT
105-7241 (5)(4)

personally supervised that phase of the case dealing with handling of the informant; and Supervisor JAMES T. O'BRIEN who was charged with the direct and specific responsibility for the investigative phase of this case and in the absence of Supervisor BRANDT shared in the supervision.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1) It is recommended that incentive awards in the amount of $200 each be made to Special Agents [redacted] JAMES P. KEHOE, [redacted] and FRANCIS JOSEPH KEHOE for sustained, above-average performance in this case as stated above, in accordance with New York recommendations.

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(2) It is recommended that letters of commendation be directed to Special Agents [redacted] ALBERT C. WOODCOCK, [redacted] JAMES E. BRANNAN, [redacted] CARLYLE W. MILLER, and [redacted] for reasons stated above, in accordance with New York recommendations.

(3) It is recommended that letters of commendation be directed to ASAC JOSEPH L. SCHMIDT, Staff Supervisor ARNOLD E. BRANDT, and Supervisor JAMES T. O'BRIEN of the New York Office for reasons stated above, in accordance with New York recommendations.

Approved

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W. A. BRANIGAN TO A. H. BELMONT - 12-29-59 (APL)
KAROT - ESPIONAGE - R (X)(4)

ADDENDUM: D. E. Moore - 12-29-59

During the past nine months, this case has been carefully supervised in the Espionage Section in order to insure the secure operation of this Soviet illegal agent by the Bureau. Numerous problems have arisen requiring decision as to the contents of communications to his Soviet superiors, with regard to establishing the agent in New York City under appropriate cover and with regard to developing this case to its utmost potential. The supervision has been most carefully handled by Supervisor Anthony P. Litrento and by Section Chief William A. Branigan. They have carefully analyzed all facets of the case, have seen that appropriate instructions are issued to the field and appropriate action taken. It is, therefore, recommended that both Litrento and Branigan receive letters of commendation for their efficient supervision of this case.

Also Inspector Moore - see p8 of NY. letter

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ADDENDUM: (CFD:mn) 12-30-59

There are no Laboratory personnel deserving of recognition at this time.

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Memorandum from Branigan to Belmont
Re: KAROT
105-76241 (X) (4)

ADDENDUM OF ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION 1/4/60 CRD:mld

As previously pointed out in memorandum, this case represents unquestionably the Bureau's most important penetration of Soviet illegal (deep cover) operations in recent years. Its success to date can be directly attributed to the adroit, ingenious and effective handling of the informant by agents of the New York Office as well as by the exceptional manner in which the case has been supervised and the other detailed ramifications have been handled.

SAs [redacted] James P. Kehoe, Joseph F. Diffley, and Francis Joseph Kehoe have made the major contributions to its success and each appears deserving of an incentive award for performances involving the overcoming of unusual difficulties. SAs [redacted] and James P. Kehoe received $200 incentive awards on 4/6/59 for their exceptional performances while in Milwaukee on special assignment in connection with the original development and handling of this informant. Their activities since that time would appear to justify additional recognition under the incentive awards program.

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BUREAU RECORDS OF SPECIAL AGENTS RECOMMENDED FOR INCENTIVE AWARDS:

SA [redacted]
EOD [redacted] GS-13, $11,090

[redacted]

SA James P. Kehoe
EOD 3/26/51, GS-12, $8810

Over-all record satisfactory. Commended once and has never been censured. Received incentive awards on 12/5/57 and 4/6/59 for outstanding work in security field. 1959 annual performance rating Excellent.

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Memorandum from Branigan to Belmont

Re: KAROT
105-76241 (5) (4)

SA Joseph F. Diffley
EOD 6/9/47, GS-13, $10,370

Over-all record satisfactory. During last three years has been commended once through SAC. No censures and received cash award on 5/27/57 for outstanding work in security field. 1959 annual performance rating Excellent.

SA Francis Joseph Kehoe
EOD 12/10/51, GS-13, $8570

Over-all record satisfactory. 1959 annual performance rating was Excellent.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. SAs [redacted] James P. Kehoe, Joseph F. Diffley, and Francis Joseph Kehoe be approved for cash awards of $150 each for their outstanding work in the handling of security informant [redacted] and other involved ramifications of this case. (Amount of awards in line with awards approved for similar performances in the past. It is realized the Director stated in connection with the Micek automobile accident case that all promotions, reallocations and awards were to be frozen for New York in view of our having to pay $110,000. It, nevertheless, is felt that an exception should be made in these cases in view of the particularly meritorious character of the work performed

Agree ENC 1/6 ✓ Agree 1/5 Letter & airtel 11/1/60 JMB

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2. SAs [redacted] Robert E. Shortelle, [redacted] Carlyle W. Miller, and [redacted] of the New York Office be commended for reasons set forth in page 3 of this memo.

Agree ENC 1/6 ✓ Agree 1/5

Memo 11/1/60 JMB

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Memorandum from Branigan to Belmont
Re: KAROT
105-76241

3. It is not recommended that SAs James E. Freaney and [redacted] of the New York Office be commended since their assignment of security observation posts and other discreet coverage in the other drop areas were not used. Recommendations based on enthusiasm and initiative of these agents in this assignment. Inclusion of them in a general letter to SAC, New York is recommended.

Agree EAE 1/6 ✓ Agree Hoover 1/5 Send ltr. to SAC 1/11/60 MM

4. It is recommended that ASAC Joseph L. Schmidt, Staff Supervisor Arnold E. Brandt, and Supervisor James T. O'Brien of the New York Office be commended for the exceptional supervision, guidance, and direction afforded in New York.

Agree EAE 1/6 ✓ Agree Hoover 1/5 Done 1/11/60 MM

5. It is recommended that SOG Supervisor Anthony P. Litrento, Section Chief William A. Branigan, and Inspector Donald E. Moore of the Domestic Intelligence Division also be commended for their keen analysis of all facets of this case and the capable instruction and guidance they have given the field.

Agree EAE 1/6 ✓ Agree Hoover 1/5 Done 1/11/60

PERMANENT BRIEFS OF FILES OF SAS [redacted] JAMES P. KELLY, [redacted] AND FRANCIS JOSEPH KEHOE - ATTACHED.

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12/7/59

BHM MR. BELMONT

RE: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
SPECIAL AGENT
In-Service Course 11/23/59 to 12/4/59

Type of School: [x] Security [ ] Criminal [ ] General

Dear Sir:

The above-mentioned Special Agent attended the above In-Service Training Course at the Seat of Government and attained the following grades:

Notebook	E
Examination	95
Double Action Course	92
Practical Pistol Course	90
Shotgun (Skeet)	14/25
.30 Rifle	--
Machine Gun	74

The firearms grades have been entered on the individual field firearms training record.

This employee should be credited with 2 hours and 30 minutes of overtime earned on 1 calendar day during the above period in December.

Very truly yours,

MAILED 27
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John Edgar Hoover
Director

1 - SA WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION

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MR. BELMONT **11/12/59**

DIRECTOR, FBI

WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
INSPECTOR'S AIDE TRAINING
11/6-7/59

The above-captioned employee has been trained as an Inspector's Aide and is now qualified to assist Inspectors on regular inspections.

SA Branigan earned 8 hours of voluntary overtime on 11/7/59.

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TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: January 26, 1960

FROM : Mr. W. A. Branigan

1 - Mr. Parsons
1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Branigan
1 - Mr. Campbell
1 - Administrative Division
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(U) SUBJECT: [redacted] (S)

(COMMENDATION MATTER - [SOVIET PHASE] NEW YORK OFFICE)

BRANIGAN, WILLIAM A

By letter 1/21/60 New York Office (NYO) recommended $200 incentive awards to two agents and letter of commendation to supervisor, NYO, having primary responsibilities for [redacted] to coordinate the development of sources, on a highly selective basis, for the purpose of placing sources in contact with Soviet-bloc officials. (S) Program requires long-range planning, need for discretion, imagination and initiative in selecting individuals whom we can place in touch with the Soviets under circumstances that the Soviets will feel they have taken the initiative and made the selection of individuals to assist them in intelligence-gathering activities. (S)

(U) [redacted] the NYO has placed 47 individuals in touch with Soviets. (S) This figure represents the real crux in this program, for it is only after our sources have been introduced to the Soviets can we begin to obtain the coverage we seek.

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(U) Special Agents [redacted] and John G. Willis were assigned the task of spearheading and coordinating the [redacted] (S) in the NYO. They outlined the program; studied and planned ways of getting it into effect; briefed and made suggestions to other agents; located 27 persons interviewed under this program; participated in 97 initial interviews seeking cooperation; and made the arrangements for placing 22 of the total of 47 NYO individual [redacted] touch with Soviets. (S) They have handled four symbol number informants and made arrangements with an official at the U. S. Mission to the UN to facilitate introduction of sources to the Soviets. (S) Discretion and delicacy are essential in developing intermediaries and creating situations which, to date, have been used with outstanding results by [redacted] and Willis in this most important and difficult phase of our work of actually placing sources in touch with the Soviets. (S)

(U) Staff Supervisor John J. Danahy has been directly responsible for the work of [redacted] and Willis and others in [redacted] (S)

(U) [redacted] (S)

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1 - Bureau Personnel File SA [redacted]
1 - Bureau Personnel File SA JOHN G. WILLIS
1 - Bureau Personnel File SA JOHN J. DANAHY

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See Addendum, Administrative Division page 2a.

Enclosures

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Memorandum Branigan to Belmont

(U) [redacted] (S)

the effective contacts and accomplishments made under his supervision have avoided incident or embarrassment to the Bureau.

The development of informants in this field is basic and necessary if we are to be successful in counterespionage. Progress in the NYO in this important program has been encouraging and it is believed the over two-year period of imaginative approach to our problem, the extraordinary effort and the difficulties overcome, justify incentive awards in the amount of $200 to [redacted] and Willis and a letter of commendation to Danahy.

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RECOMMENDATION:

Domestic Intelligence Division agrees with NYO and this should be referred to the Administrative Division for the preparation of $200 incentive awards to SAs [redacted] and John G. Willis and a letter of commendation to SA John J. Danahy.

ADDENDUM: 2-1-60 (D. E. Moore)

This program has been stressed at the last two Internal Security-Espionage Conferences and also in conferences concerning the Intensification Program held with the Washington Field & New York Offices. In addition, various Supervisors have, in the Espionage Section, given this program careful attention and have followed the field offices closely in implementing the program and have issued proper instructions to the field in the individual cases. The program has been implemented at the Seat of Government by the work of various Supervisors under the direction of Section Chief William A. Branigan and it is recommended that a letter of commendation be sent Mr. Branigan so that he, in turn, may advise the responsible Supervisors of the recognition of their efforts in this program.

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ADDEMDUM ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION RRB:crt 2-4-60

Based on the information submitted by SAC New York and the Domestic Intelligence Division it definitely appears that the over-all performance and exceptional accomplishments of SAs [redacted] and John G. Willis in this most important counter intelligence program has been such as to warrant special recognition in the form of incentive awards.

BUREAU RECORDS:

SA [redacted] and is in grade GS 12, $8810. [redacted]

[redacted]

SA Willis - EOD as SA 7-15-40 and is in grade GS 13, $11,090. During past three years received one cash award for the development of a highly confidential source, seven commendations and no censures. He is an over-all above average agent with 1959 annual performance rating Excellent.

SAs [redacted] and Willis have met the standards of the Incentive Awards Program dealing with performance involving the overcoming of unusual difficulties. Based on approved tables for determining the amount of such awards their performance is considered to be of moderate value and broad application to the work of the Bureau entitling them to awards of from $150 to $300. b6 b7E

It is also noted that these accomplishments were the result of careful guidance and supervision by Staff Supervisor John J. Danahy, New York, and various SOG supervisors under the direction of Section Chief William A. Branigan, Espionage Section.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(U) (1) That SAs [redacted] and John G. Willis be approved for cash awards of $200 each for their outstanding accomplishments in handling [redacted] in the New York Office. This success is directly attributable to the interest, (U) enthusiasm, imagination and resourcefulness employed by these agents in implementing the program. These two agents located [redacted] participated in interviews of 97, placed 22 in contact with Soviets and actually developed 4 symboled informants.

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Jagree Hoover 2/7

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Addendum: (Continued)

Recommendations: (Continued)

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(2) That Staff Supervisor John J. Danahy be commended for his over-all excellent supervision and direction of [redacted] by the New York Office resulting in the accomplishments noted above.

Done 2-11-60 ajf

Jagree Inac 2/7

(3) That Section Chief William A. Branigan, Espionage Section, Domestic Intelligence Division, and through him appropriate supervisors of that section, be commended for the direction and careful guidance given to this program through the field divisions and closely following the operations and issuing proper instructions in individual cases.

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Done 2-11-60 ajf

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Jagree Inac 2/7

PERMANENT BRIEFS OF PERSONNEL FILES OF SA [redacted] AND WILLIS ARE ATTACHED.

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5. Employee's name (and social security account number when appropriate)	6. Grade and salary
7804 MR. WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN Supv. SA	GS 15 $13,970

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		13. Audited by

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Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Branigan:

I am taking this means to commend you and, through you, the supervisors of the Espionage Section who performed in such an excellent manner in connection with a program of much interest to the Bureau in the security field.

This is an extremely important program and the accomplishments brought about as a result thereof can be attributed to the ingenious and intelligent efforts of these men in affording the field careful direction and guidance. Their performances were in keeping with our finest traditions. You displayed a high degree of leadership in discharging your responsibilities and I want you to know I am appreciative. Please convey my sincere thanks to the supervisory personnel of your section who contributed to this vital phase of our operations.

Sincerely yours,

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1 - Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)
Re: [redacted] b7E

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(Rev. June 1956)

REPORT OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION

1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME (Type or print)	2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION	3. IDENTIFICATION NO.
BRANIGAN, WILLIAM A.	SPECIAL AGENT	
4. HOME ADDRESS (*Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State*)	**5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION**	**6. DATE OF EXAMINATION**
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7. SEX	8. RACE	9. TOTAL YEARS GOVERNMENT SERVICE		10. AGENCY	11. ORGANIZATION UNIT
		MILITARY	CIVILIAN		
MALE	WHITE				

12. DATE OF BIRTH	13. PLACE OF BIRTH	14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
3-23-16	ALBANY, NEW YORK	

15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS	16. OTHER INFORMATION
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17. RATING OR SPECIALTY	TIME IN THIS CAPACITY (*Total*)	LAST SIX MONTHS

CLINICAL EVALUATION

NORMAL	(Check each item in appropriate column; enter "NE" if not evaluated.)	ABNORMAL
X	18. HEAD, FACE, NECK, AND SCALP	
X	19. NOSE	
X	20. SINUSES	
X	21. MOUTH AND THROAT	
X	22. EARS—GENERAL (*Int. & ext. canals*) (*Auditory acuity under items 70 and 71*)	
X	23. DRUMS (*Perforation*)	
X	24. EYES—GENERAL (*Visual acuity and refraction under items 59, 60 and 67*)	
NE	25. OPHTHALMOSCOPIC	
X	26. PUPILS (*Equality and reaction*)	
X	27. OCULAR MOTILITY (*Associated parallel movements, nystagmus*)	
X	28. LUNGS AND CHEST (*Include breasts*)	
X	29. HEART (*Thrust, size, rhythm, sounds*)	
X	30. VASCULAR SYSTEM (*Varicosities, etc.*)	
X	31. ABDOMEN AND VISCERA (*Include hernia*)	
X	32. ANUS AND RECTUM (*Hemorrhoids, fistulae*) (*Prostate, if indicated*)	
X	33. ENDOCRINE SYSTEM	
X	34. G-U SYSTEM	
X	35. UPPER EXTREMITIES (*Strength, range of motion*)	
X	36. FEET	
X	37. LOWER EXTREMITIES (*Except feet*) (*Strength, range of motion*)	
X	38. SPINE, OTHER MUSCULOSKELETAL	
X	39. IDENTIFYING BODY MARKS, SCARS, TATTOOS	
X	40. SKIN, LYMPHATICS	
X	41. NEUROLOGIC (*Equilibrium tests under item 72*)	
X	42. PSYCHIATRIC (*Specify any personality deviation*)	
	43. PELVIC (*Females only*) (*Check how done*) ☐ VAGINAL ☐ RECTAL	

NOTES. (*Describe every abnormality in detail. Enter pertinent item number before each comment. Continue in item 73 and use additional sheets if necessary.*)

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(Continue in item 73)

44. DENTAL (*Place appropriate symbols above or below number of upper and lower teeth, respectively.*)

O—*Restorable teeth*
/—*Nonrestorable teeth*
X—*Missing teeth*
XXX—*Replaced by dentures*
(6 X 8)—*Fixed bridge, brackets to include abutments*

RIGHT	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	LEFT
	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	

REMARKS AND ADDITIONAL DENTAL DEFECTS AND DISEASES

Meets dental standards

LABORATORY FINDINGS

45. URINALYSIS: A. SPECIFIC GRAVITY	1/020	46. CHEST X-RAY (*Place, date, film number and result*)
B. ALBUMIN: Neg.	D. MICROSCOPIC: Negative	5832-60 Negative 1-29-60
C. SUGAR: Neg.		
47. SEROLOGY (*Specify test used and result*): Negative	48. EKG: Within Normal Limits	49. BLOOD TYPE AND RH FACTOR
		50. OTHER TESTS

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MEASUREMENTS AND OTHER FINDINGS

51. HEIGHT	52. WEIGHT	53. COLOR HAIR	54. COLOR EYES	55. BUILD	56. TEMPERATURE
71	167	Brown	Hazel	☐ SLENDER ☐ MEDIUM ☒ HEAVY ☐ OBESE	98.6

57. BLOOD PRESSURE (*Arm at heart level*)						58. PULSE (*Arm at heart level*)				
A. SITTING	SYS. 140 / DIAS. 80	B. RECUMBENT	SYS. 150 / DIAS. 80	C. STANDING (3 min.)	SYS. / DIAS.	A. SITTING 76	B. AFTER EXERCISE	C. 2 MIN. AFTER	D. RECUMBENT	E. AFTER STANDING 3 MIN.

59. DISTANT VISION		60. REFRACTION			61. 75M NEAR VISION	
RIGHT 20/ 25	CORR. TO 20/ 20	BY lenses	S.	OX	20/6 CORR. TO	BY
LEFT 20/ 25	CORR. TO 20/ 20	BY lenses	S.	OX	20/6 CORR. TO	BY

62. HETEROPHORIA (*Specify distance*)

ES°	EX°	R. H.	L. H.	PRISM DIV.	PRISM CONV. CT	PC	PD

63. ACCOMMODATION		64. COLOR VISION (*Test used and result*)	65. DEPTH PERCEPTION (*Test used and score*)	UNCORRECTED
RIGHT	LEFT	AOC-1946-18/18		CORRECTED

66. FIELD OF VISION	67. NIGHT VISION (*Test used and score*)	68. RED LENS TEST	69. INTRAOCULAR TENSION

70. HEARING	71. AUDIOMETER									72. PSYCHOLOGICAL AND PSYCHOMOTOR (*Tests used and score*)
RIGHT WV /15 SV /15		250 256	500 512	1000 1024	2000 2048	3000 2896	4000 4096	6000 6144	8000 8192	
LEFT WV 15 /15 SV 15 /15	RIGHT									
	LEFT									

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73. NOTES (*Continued*) AND SIGNIFICANT OR INTERVAL HISTORY

(*Use additional sheets if necessary*)

74 SUMMARY OF DEFECTS AND DIAGNOSES (*List diagnoses with item numbers*)

75. RECOMMENDATIONS—FURTHER SPECIALIST EXAMINATIONS INDICATED (*Specify*)

76. A. PHYSICAL PROFILE

P	U	L	H	E	S

77. EXAMINEE (*Check*)

A. ☒ IS QUALIFIED FOR
B. ☐ IS NOT QUALIFIED FOR

B. PHYSICAL CATEGORY

78. IF NOT QUALIFIED, LIST DISQUALIFYING DEFECTS BY ITEM NUMBER

A	B	C	E

79. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN	SIGNATURE S/ R. R. Cavalieri
80. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN	SIGNATURE
81. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF DENTIST OR PHYSICIAN (*Indicate which*)	SIGNATURE S/ J. B. Ferris
82. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF REVIEWING OFFICER OR APPROVING AUTHORITY	SIGNATURE / NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS

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1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME	2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION	3. IDENTIFICATION NO.
BRANIGAN, WILLIAM A.	SA	

4. HOME ADDRESS (*Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State*)	5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION	6. DATE OF EXAMINATION
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7. SEX	8. RACE	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE MILITARY	CIVILIAN	10. DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, OR SERVICE	11. ORGANIZATION UNIT
MALE	WHITE				

12. DATE OF BIRTH	13. PLACE OF BIRTH	14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
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15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS	16. OTHER INFORMATION

17. STATEMENT OF EXAMINEE'S PRESENT HEALTH IN OWN WORDS. (*Follow by description of past history, if complaint exists*)

EXCELLENT

18. FAMILY HISTORY

RELATION	AGE	STATE OF HEALTH	IF DEAD, CAUSE OF DEATH	AGE AT DEATH
FATHER	~~82~~		CORONARY	82
MOTHER	83	GOOD		
SPOUSE	41	EXCELLENT		
BROTHERS AND SISTERS	45	GOOD		
	41	GOOD		
	19MOS	EXCELLENT		
CHILDREN	16	EXCELLENT		
	12	EXCELLENT		
	7	EXCELLENT		
	5	EXCELLENT		

19. HAS ANY BLOOD RELATION (*Parent, brother, sister, other*) OR HUSBAND OR WIFE:

YES	NO	(*Check each item*)	RELATION(S)
	X	HAD TUBERCULOSIS	
	X	HAD SYPHILIS	
	X	HAD DIABETES	
X		HAD CANCER	MOTHER
	X	HAD KIDNEY TROUBLE	
	X	HAD HEART TROUBLE	
	X	HAD STOMACH TROUBLE	
X		HAD RHEUMATISM (*Arthritis*)	MOTHER
	X	HAD ASTHMA, HAY FEVER, HIVES	
	X	HAD EPILEPSY (*Fits*)	
	X	COMMITTED SUICIDE	
	X	BEEN INSANE	

20. HAVE YOU EVER HAD OR HAVE YOU NOW (*Place check at left of each item*)

YES	NO	(*Check each item*)	YES	NO	(*Check each item*)	YES	NO	(*Check each item*)	YES	NO	(*Check each item*)
	X	SCARLET FEVER, ERYSIPELAS		X	GOITER	X		TUMOR, GROWTH, CYST, CANCER		X	"TRICK" OR LOCKED KNEE
	X	DIPHTHERIA		X	TUBERCULOSIS		X	RUPTURE		X	FOOT TROUBLE
	X	RHEUMATIC FEVER		X	SOAKING SWEATS (*Night sweats*)	X		APPENDICITIS		X	NEURITIS
	X	SWOLLEN OR PAINFUL JOINTS		X	ASTHMA	X		PILES OR RECTAL DISEASE		X	PARALYSIS (*Inc. infantile*)
X		MUMPS		X	SHORTNESS OF BREATH		X	FREQUENT OR PAINFUL URINATION		X	EPILEPSY OR FITS
X		WHOOPING COUGH		X	PAIN OR PRESSURE IN CHEST		X	KIDNEY STONE OR BLOOD IN URINE		X	CAR, TRAIN, SEA, OR AIR SICKNESS
	X	FREQUENT OR SEVERE HEADACHE		X	CHRONIC COUGH		X	SUGAR OR ALBUMIN IN URINE		X	FREQUENT TROUBLE SLEEPING
	X	DIZZINESS OR FAINTING SPELLS		X	PALPITATION OR POUNDING HEART		X	BOILS		X	FREQUENT OR TERRIFYING NIGHTMARES
	X	EYE TROUBLE		X	HIGH OR LOW BLOOD PRESSURE		X	VENEREAL DISEASE		X	DEPRESSION OR EXCESSIVE WORRY
	X	EAR, NOSE OR THROAT TROUBLE		X	CRAMPS IN YOUR LEGS		X	RECENT GAIN OR LOSS OF WEIGHT		X	LOSS OF MEMORY OR AMNESIA
	X	RUNNING EARS		X	FREQUENT INDIGESTION		X	ARTHRITIS OR RHEUMATISM		X	BED WETTING
	X	CHRONIC OR FREQUENT COLDS		X	STOMACH, LIVER OR INTESTINAL TROUBLE		X	BONE, JOINT, OR OTHER DEFORMITY		X	NERVOUS TROUBLE OF ANY SORT
	X	SEVERE TOOTH OR GUM TROUBLE		X	GALL BLADDER TROUBLE OR GALL STONES		X	LAMENESS		X	ANY DRUG OR NARCOTIC HABIT
X		SINUSITIS		X	JAUNDICE		X	LOSS OF ARM, LEG, FINGER, OR TOE		X	EXCESSIVE DRINKING HABIT
	X	HAY FEVER		X	ANY REACTION TO SERUM, DRUG OR MEDICINE		X	PAINFUL OR "TRICK" SHOULDER OR ELBOW		X	HOMOSEXUAL TENDENCIES

21. HAVE YOU EVER (*Check each item*)					
X		WORN GLASSES		X	ATTEMPTED SUICIDE
	X	WORN AN ARTIFICIAL EYE		X	BEEN A SLEEP WALKER
	X	WORN HEARING AIDS		X	LIVED WITH ANYONE WHO HAD TUBERCULOSIS
	X	STUTTERED OR STAMMERED		X	COUGHED UP BLOOD
	X	WORN A BRACE OR BACK SUPPORT		X	BLED EXCESSIVELY AFTER INJURY OR TOOTH EXTRACTION

22. FEMALES ONLY: A. HAVE YOU EVER—		B. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:	
	BEEN PREGNANT		AGE AT ONSET OF MENSTRUATION
	HAD A VAGINAL DISCHARGE		INTERVAL BETWEEN PERIODS
	BEEN TREATED FOR A FEMALE DISORDER		DURATION OF PERIODS
	HAD PAINFUL MENSTRUATION		DATE OF LAST PERIOD
	HAD IRREGULAR MENSTRUATION	QUANTITY: ☐ NORMAL ☐ EXCESSIVE ☐ SCANTY	

23. HOW MANY JOBS HAVE YOU HAD IN THE PAST THREE YEARS?	24. WHAT IS THE LONGEST PERIOD YOU HELD ANY OF THESE JOBS? MONTHS	25. WHAT IS YOUR USUAL OCCUPATION?	26. ARE YOU (*Check one*) ☐ RIGHT HANDED ☐ LEFT HANDED

YES	NO	CHECK EACH ITEM YES OR NO. EVERY ITEM CHECKED "YES" MUST BE FULLY EXPLAINED IN BLANK SPACE ON RIGHT
	X	27. HAVE YOU BEEN UNABLE TO HOLD A JOB BECAUSE OF: A. SENSITIVITY TO CHEMICALS, DUST, SUNLIGHT, ETC.
	X	B. INABILITY TO PERFORM CERTAIN MOTIONS
	X	C. INABILITY TO ASSUME CERTAIN POSITIONS
	X	D. OTHER MEDICAL REASONS (*If yes, give reasons*)
	X	28. HAVE YOU EVER WORKED WITH RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCE?
	X	29. DID YOU HAVE DIFFICULTY WITH SCHOOL STUDIES OR TEACHERS? (*If yes, give details*)
	X	30. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REFUSED EMPLOYMENT BECAUSE OF YOUR HEALTH? (*If yes, state reason and give details*)
	X	31. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DENIED LIFE INSURANCE? (*If yes, state reason and give details*)
X		32. HAVE YOU HAD, OR HAVE YOU BEEN ADVISED TO HAVE, ANY OPERATIONS? (*If yes, describe and give age at which occurred*) APPENDECTOMY - 1947 31 yrs.
	X	33. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN A PATIENT (*committed or voluntary*) IN A MENTAL HOSPITAL OR SANATORIUM? (*If yes, specify when, where, why, and name of doctor, and complete address of hospital or clinic*)
	X	34. HAVE YOU EVER HAD ANY ILLNESS OR INJURY OTHER THAN THOSE ALREADY NOTED? (*If yes, specify when, where, and give details*)
	X	35. HAVE YOU CONSULTED OR BEEN TREATED BY CLINICS, PHYSICIANS, HEALERS, OR OTHER PRACTITIONERS WITHIN THE PAST 5 YEARS? (*If yes, give complete address of doctor, hospital, clinic, and details*)
	X	36. HAVE YOU TREATED YOURSELF FOR ILLNESSES OTHER THAN MINOR COLDS? (*If yes, which illnesses*)
	X	37. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REJECTED FOR MILITARY SERVICE BECAUSE OF PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR OTHER REASONS? (*If yes, give date and reason for rejection*)
	X	38. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DISCHARGED FROM MILITARY SERVICE BECAUSE OF PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR OTHER REASONS? (*If yes, give date, reason, and type of discharge: whether honorable, other than honorable, for unfitness or unsuitability*)
	X	39. HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED, IS THERE PENDING, HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR, OR DO YOU INTEND TO APPLY FOR PENSION OR COMPENSATION FOR EXISTING DISABILITY? (*If yes, specify what kind, granted by whom, and what amount, when, why*)

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE REVIEWED THE FOREGOING INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY ME AND THAT IT IS TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.
I AUTHORIZE ANY OF THE DOCTORS, HOSPITALS, OR CLINICS MENTIONED ABOVE TO FURNISH THE GOVERNMENT A COMPLETE TRANSCRIPT OF MY MEDICAL RECORD FOR PURPOSES OF PROCESSING MY APPLICATION FOR THIS EMPLOYMENT OR SERVICE.

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF EXAMINEE	SIGNATURE
	William C. Branigan

40. PHYSICIAN'S SUMMARY AND ELABORATION OF ALL PERTINENT DATA (*Physician shall comment on all positive answers in items 20 thru 39*)

R. Cavalieri

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN OR EXAMINER	DATE	SIGNATURE	NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS
		R. Cavalieri	

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Attachment to Standard Form 88, Report of Medical Examination

For Information and Guidance of Medical Examiner

Name of Examinee (*Type or print*) BRANICAN (*Last*) WILLIAM (*First*) A. (*Middle*)

The following portions of the attached examination report form need not be completed:

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3	65
4	67
9	68
11	69
14	72
17	76

46. Is necessary unless facilities for affording same are not readily available.

48. Not required unless examinee is over 35 years of age or examination indicates such is desirable.

49. Is necessary unless facilities for affording same are not readily available.

71. Audiometer examinations should be afforded whenever possible.

Dr. Covalieri

For All Examinees, Whether Clerical or Special Agent Applicants or Employees:

The medical examiner should answer the following question:

Examinee ☑ is ☐ is not qualified for strenuous physical exertion.

To be Answered in the Case of All Male Employees and Male Applicants:

1. Does examinee have any defects restricting or prohibiting his participation in defensive tactics and dangerous assignments which might entail the practical use of firearms?

☑ No ☐ Yes If "yes" please specify defects. _____

2. Does examinee have any defects prohibiting safe operation of motor vehicles?

☑ No ☐ Yes If "yes" please specify defects. _____

If examinee has defective vision, should he wear corrective glasses while operating a motor vehicle? ☐ Yes ☑ No

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Weights for Males

Height Feet-Inches	SMALL FRAME		MEDIUM FRAME		LARGE FRAME	
	Desirable	Maximum	Desirable	Maximum	Desirable	Maximum
5 4	121-131	143	129-139	152	136-148	162
5 5	124-134	146	132-142	155	140-152	166
5 6	128-138	151	136-146	160	144-157	172
5 7	131-142	155	140-151	165	148-161	176
5 8	135-146	160	144-155	170	152-165	181
5 9	139-150	164	148-159	174	156-170	186
5 10	143-154	168	152-163	178	160-175	192
5 11	147-159	174	156-168	184	164-180	197
6 0	152-164	179	161-173	189	169-185	203
6 1	158-170	186	166-179	196	174-191	209
6 2	163-175	192	171-184	201	179-197	216
6 3	168-180	197	176-189	207	184-202	221
6 4	174-186	204	182-195	214	190-208	228
6 5	180-191	209	188-201	220	196-214	234

3. Examinee's frame is ☐ small ☐ medium ☒ large

4. Considering above weight table, the examinee's frame, and other individual physical characteristics, I consider his present weight ☒ Satisfactory ☐ Excessive ☐ Deficient

5. Under proper medical supervision, examinee should ☐ lose _____ pounds
☐ gain _____ pounds

Remarks: _____

/s/ B.R. CAVALIERI
(Signature of Medical Examiner)

2-25-60
(Date)

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

RE: SA William A. Branigan
(Type or print plainly)

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of $10, payable to the Assistant Director, Administrative Division, FBI, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for a continuous period of two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Assistant Director of the Administrative Division of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Assistant Director of the Administrative Division, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $10,000. The liability of the fund shall not under any circumstances exceed the amount of monies in the fund at the time any liability shall occur. The following person is designated as my beneficiary for FBI Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name	Relationship	Date
Lois Hallenbeck Branigan	Wife	3/2/60

Address 2317 N. Kentucky Street, Arlington, Virginia

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing $1500 death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in the line of duty.

Name	Relationship	Date
Lois Hallenbeck Branigan	Wife	3/2/60

Address 2317 N. Kentucky Street, Arlington, Virginia

Very truly yours,

William A. Branigan

Special Agent

FD-185a (Rev. 4-14-58)

PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD-185)

Name of Employee: William A. Branigan

Title: Supervisory Special Agent (Section Chief) GS-15

Rating Period: from 4-1-59 to 3-31-60

RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST

Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared. Rate items as follows:

+ Outstanding (exceeding excellent and deserving of special commendation).
E Excellent.
✓ Satisfactory (good or very good).
− Unsatisfactory.
O No opportunity to appraise performance during rating period.

Guide for determining adjective rating:

1. "Outstanding" adjective rating requires (A) that all rated elements be "+" and (B) that each and every rated element be factually justified by narrative detail on reverse of Form FD-185.
2. "Excellent," "Satisfactory" or "Unsatisfactory" adjective ratings will depend upon the composite result of evaluating all rated elements rather than following any mechanical formulas; however, for an employee to be rated "Excellent" he must not be rated unsatisfactory on any performance evaluation factors on the rating guide and check-list and must be rated "Excellent" or "Outstanding" on the majority of such rating factors. Good judgment must be exercised to insure that adjective rating is reasonable in the light of elements rated.
   A. Any element rated "Unsatisfactory" must be supported by narrative comments.
   B. An "official" adjective rating of "Unsatisfactory" must comply with the requirements described on the reverse of form FD-185.

+ (1) Personal appearance.
+ (2) Personality and effectiveness of his personal contacts.
+ (3) Attitude (including dependability, cooperativeness, loyalty, enthusiasm, amenability and willingness to equitably share work load).
+ (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina).
+ (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity.
+ (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required.
+ (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions, ability to define objectives.
+ (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility.
+ (9) Planning ability and its application to the work.
E (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail.
+ (11) Industry, including energetic, consistent application to duties.
+ (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control.
+ (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and "know how" of application.
O (14) Technical or mechanical skills.
+ (15) Investigative ability and results:
   + (a) Internal security cases
   O (b) Criminal or general investigative cases
   O (c) Fugitive cases
   O (d) Applicant cases
   O (e) Accounting cases
O (16) Physical surveillance ability.
O (17) Firearms ability.
O (18) Development of informants and sources of information.
+ (19) Reporting ability:
   O (a) Investigative reports
   O (b) Summary reports
   + (c) Memos, letters, wires
   (Consider: + conciseness; + clarity; + organization; + thoroughness; + accuracy; + adequacy and pertinency of leads; + administrative detail.)
O (20) Performance as a witness.
+ (21) Executive ability:
   + (a) Leadership
   + (b) Ability to handle personnel
   E (c) Planning
   + (d) Making decisions
   + (e) Assignment of work
   + (f) Training subordinates
   + (g) Devising procedures
   + (h) Emotional stability
   + (i) Promoting high morale
   + (j) Getting results
+ (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments:
   + (a) As leader
   + (b) As participant
+ (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement.
+ (24) Ability to work under pressure.
___ (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate:
   ___ Dictation ability
   ___
   ___

A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as Resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.): Section Chief Administrator

B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker): Administrator

C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)
(2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)

D. 1. Has employee had an abnormal sick leave record during rating period? No 2. Has employee used more sick leave (including annual leave or LWOP for illness) during rating period than the amount of sick leave earned during such period? No (If answer to either question is "Yes," explain in narrative comments.)

E. Is employee qualified to operate a motor vehicle incidental to his official duties? [x] Yes [ ] No
If answer is "yes," personnel file must reflect the following: (a) Has valid State or local operator's license for type vehicle he is to use. (b) Is physically fit to drive. (c) Past safe driving record OK or has passed Bureau road test.

ADJECTIVE RATING: EXCELLENT (Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory)

EMPLOYEE'S INITIALS: [illegible]

PART I GENERAL COMMENTS

WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

Mr. Branigan is a very personable, well groomed and capable employee who makes an outstanding appearance and creates a most favorable impression as a representative of the Bureau. He is forceful and aggressive, possesses initiative and the ability to make decisions and take proper action. He has the ability to direct and lead personnel and could most effectively lead raids and other dangerous assignments. His enthusiasm, capacity for hard work and desire to set a proper example, results in stimulating the performance of personnel working under him.

Mr. Branigan has an outstanding knowledge in the espionage field and directs some of the most complicated investigative matters in the Bureau's jurisdiction. His own ability and his desire to achieve outstanding results in the intelligence and espionage fields has resulted in some excellent achievements during the rating period.

He has been commended on four occasions during this period by the Director for his work. By letter of August 7, 1959, the Director commended certain personnel of the Domestic Intelligence Division (including Branigan) for material contributions to the success of an operation in the internal security field of extreme importance to our country. By letter of October 1, 1959, he was commended for the exceptional manner in which he discharged his responsibilities in connection with a highly confidential matter of great importance to the Bureau. By letter of January 11, 1960, he was commended for his competent supervision of a highly confidential operation and by letter of February 11, 1960, he and other personnel of the Espionage Section were commended for the excellent manner in which a program of much interest to the Bureau was handled. As Section Chief of the Espionage Section, Mr. Branigan occupies an extremely important position and Branigan has, during this rating period, filled this position in an outstanding fashion. He is an extremely loyal and enthusiastic employee and strives for and obtains results. He is available for assignment wherever his services may be needed and can be relied upon in connection with any assignment given him. He is fully capable of additional responsibility and could be counted on to do his utmost for the Bureau in any assignment and under any circumstances.

Mr. Branigan's work during this rating period has fully justified a rating of excellent.

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PART II - SPECIFIC COMMENTS

1. **JUSTIFICATION FOR ANY MINUS RATINGS GIVEN**

Not applicable

2. **EXPERIENCE AND ABILITY AS INSPECTOR'S AIDE**

While trained as an Inspector's Aide, Mr. Branigan has not been assigned as such. However, in his work as Section Chief he has received training along inspection lines.

3. **PARTICIPATION IN INFORMANT PROGRAMS**

Mr. Branigan has effectively supervised programs with regard to overall informant coverage in intelligence and espionage matters.

4. **TESTIFYING EXPERIENCE AND ABILITY**

Not applicable

5. **DISCIPLINARY ACTION**

Not applicable

6. **ACCOUNTING INFORMATION**

Not applicable

7. **POLICE INSTRUCTION**

Not applicable

PART II - SPECIFIC COMMENTS (Continued)

8. *SOUND TRAINING*

Not applicable

9. *RESIDENT AGENTS*

Not applicable

10. *FOREIGN LANGUAGE ABILITY* - *Not applicable*

Language in which proficient _____
Completed language school _____ *Yes* ☐ *No* ☐
Fluent to extent Agent can handle typical investigative problems as follows:
1) conversation form - Yes ☐ *No* ☐
2) written form - Yes ☐ *No* ☐

Agent's _____ *language ability is rated:*

	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Fair	Unsatisfactory
Read:	_____	_____	____	____	_____
Write:	_____	_____	____	____	_____
Speak:	_____	_____	____	____	_____
Understand:	_____	_____	____	____	_____

Frequency _____ *language ability was used during rating period:*

11. *ADMINISTRATIVE ADVANCEMENT*

a) *Agent is interested in administrative advancement -Yes* ☒ *No* ☐

b) *Agent is completely available for administrative advancement -Yes* ☒ *No* ☐

c) *Agent is considered completely qualified at present for administrative advancement including experience, ability, personality and appearance - Yes* ☒ *No* ☐

d) *Consider qualifications very good,* _____, *excellent* _____, *outstanding* x.

e) *Agent has potential for future administrative advancement - Yes* ☐ *No* ☐

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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

3-22-60

I certify that I have received the following Government property for official use:
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Foreign Operations Policy Manual #31

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Very truly yours,

(Written Signature) William A. Branigan

(Typed Signature) William A. Branigan

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The Government property which you hereby acknowledge is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care of it and returning it when its use has been completed. DO NOT MARK OR WRITE ON IT OR MUTILATE IT IN ANY WAY.

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May 24, 1960

PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Branigan:

I do not want this opportunity to pass without expressing my sincere appreciation for your excellent supervision of a special project which was handled in the Domestic Intelligence Division.

You displayed splendid leadership, intelligence and judgment in discharging your heavy responsibilities with the result that a detailed document was prepared in an extremely short period of time. I was very pleased with your performance and I want to thank you for a job well done.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

1 - Mr. Belmont (Personal Attention)
Re: Expose of Soviet Espionage.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : MR. PARSONS

DATE: 4/15/60

FROM : A. H. Belmont

SUBJECT: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN, GS-15
Section Chief, Espionage Section
Domestic Intelligence Division
RECOMMENDATION FOR PROMOTION

By memorandum dated 7/1/59 I recommended that Mr. Branigan be considered for reallocation to Grade GS-16. This was to be reconsidered 1/1/60.

As reflected in Mr. Branigan's efficiency report dated 3/31/60, his performance during the past year has been of a very high caliber, and it is believed his performance is such that he should be considered for reallocation at this time. It is felt he meets all the requirements for such consideration.

It is also noted he is within the weight limits for his height and build; further, that he has consistently put in a substantial amount of overtime, his daily average overtime for the past three months being:

1/60 - 3 hrs., 08 min.
2/60 - 2 hrs., 47 min.
3/60 - 2 hrs., 33 min.

RECOMMENDATION:

It is respectfully recommended that Mr. Branigan be reallocated to Grade GS-16 at this time.

AHB:CSH (2)

cc Mr. Belmont

I agree 6/1

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Standard Form 50 —5 Part
Rev. July 1957
Promulgated by U. S. Civil Service Commission—FPM-R-1

NOTIFICATION OF PERSONNEL ACTION

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1. NAME (LAST [CAPS]—First—Middle—Mr.—Miss—Mrs.)	2. DATE OF BIRTH	3. IDENTIFICATION (optional)
BRANIGAN, WILLIAM A. (MR.)	3-23-16	#07804

4. THIS IS AN OFFICIAL NOTICE OF THE PERSONNEL ACTION DESCRIBED BELOW, WHICH AFFECTS YOUR EMPLOYMENT. GENERAL INFORMATION CONCERNING YOUR EMPLOYMENT APPEARS ON THE REVERSE SIDE OF THIS FORM.

5. NATURE OF ACTION (standard terminology must be used)	6. EFFECTIVE DATE OF ACTION	7. CIVIL SERVICE OR OTHER LEGAL AUTHORITY
PROMOTION	6-14-60	EXCEPTED BY LAW

FROM—		TO—
Supervisory Special Agent FBI#54-D-237 Series 1811, GS 15 $13,970 per annum Domestic Intelligence Division Washington, D. C.	8. POSITION TITLE AND NUMBER 9. SERIES, GRADE, SALARY 10. NAME AND LOCATION OF OFFICE BY WHICH EMPLOYED 11. DUTY STATION	Supervisory Special Agent (Chief of the Espionage Section) GS 16 $14,430 per annum

[ ] Yes	12. APPORTIONED POSITION	[ ] Yes STATE:	[ ] Apportionment Waived [ ] Proved

13. VETERAN PREFERENCE				14. TENURE GROUP	15. POSITION OCCUPIED IS IN THE:	
No	5-pt.	10-pt. Disab.	10-pt. Other		[ ] Competitive Service	[X] Excepted Service
X						

16. APPROPRIATION	17. PAYROLL DEDUCTIONS			18. DATE OF APPOINTMENT AFFIDAVITS (accessions only)
From: S. & E., FBI To: SAME	CSR	FICA	FEGLI	

19. REMARKS:

[ ] a. Subject to completion of 1 year probationary (or trial) period commencing _____

[ ] b. Service counting toward career (or permanent) tenure from: _____

Separations: Show reasons below, as required. Check, if applicable: [ ] c. During probation [ ] d. From appointment of 6 months or less

This promotion is temporary and will remain in effect only for the duration of present assignment.

Basis for this position is Section 505(e) of the Classification Act of 1949 as amended.

20. EMPLOYING DEPARTMENT OR AGENCY	22. SIGNATURE (or other authentication) AND TITLE
U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION	J. Edgar Hoover Director
21. OFFICE MAINTAINING OFFICIAL PERSONNEL FOLDER (if different than item 10, above) FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION WASHINGTON 25, D. C.	23. DATE: 6-14-60

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4. PERSONNEL FOLDER COPY

Standard Form No. 2809
CHAPTER 1-5 F.P.M.
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TH BENEFITS REGISTRATION FOR
EDERAL EMPLOYEES HEALTH BENEFITS ACT OF 1959

(Reac sctions on back of last page. Use only typewriter or ba en.)

CARRIER'S CONTROL NO
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PART A ALL WHO REGISTER MUST FILL IN THIS PART.

1. NAME (LAST) (FIRST) (MIDDLE INITIAL): **Branigan, William A.**

2. DATE OF BIRTH (Use numbers): MONTH **3** DAY **23** YEAR **16**

3. Are you now married? YES [X] 1 NO [ ] 2

4. YOUR MAILING ADDRESS (NUMBER AND STREET) (CITY AND ZONE NUMBER) (STATE): **2317 N. Kentucky Street, Arlington, Virginia**

5. SEX MALE [X] 1 FEMALE [ ] 2

6. Are you covered by, or is any family member listed below covered by or enrolling in, a plan under the Federal Employees Health Benefits Act of 1959 (through the enrollment of another United States or District of Columbia Government employee or annuitant)? YES [ ] NO [X]

7. Place an "X" in proper box to show your annual basic salary range.
UNDER $4,000 [ ] 1 — $6,000 TO $9,999 [ ] 3
$4,000 TO $5,999 [ ] 2 — $10,000 OR OVER [X] 4

PART B FILL IN THIS PART IF YOU WISH TO ENROLL IN A HEALTH BENEFITS PLAN.

If enrollment is for self only, answer item 1. If enrollment is for self and family, also answer item 2 and item 3 if it applies.

THIS PART MUST ALSO BE FILLED IN IF YOU CHANGE YOUR ENROLLMENT.

1. I elect to enroll in a health benefits plan as shown below. I authorize deductions to be made from my salary, compensation, or annuity to cover my share of the cost of the enrollment. (Copy the information requested below from inside cover of brochure of the plan you select.)

NAME OF PLAN	OPTION (HIGH OR LOW)	ENROLLMENT CODE NUMBER
SAMBA		**4 4 2**

2. In space below list all eligible family members without exception: List your wife or husband first, then your unmarried children under age 19, including legally adopted children, and stepchildren and illegitimate children who live with you in a regular parent-child relationship. Include also any unmarried child over 19 who became disabled before age 19 and who, because of the disability, is incapable of self-support. (Attach a doctor's certificate for a disabled child age 19 or over.)

	NAMES OF FAMILY MEMBERS	DATE OF BIRTH (Month, Day, Year)		NAMES OF FAMILY MEMBERS	DATE OF BIRTH (Month, Day, Year)	
Wife or XXXX	**Lois H.**	**3/10/18**	1			6
			2			7
			3			8
			4			9
			5			10

3. If you are a female (employee or annuitant)—does the family listed above include a husband who is incapable of self-support by reason of mental or physical disability which can be expected to continue for more than one year? (If answer is "Yes," attach a doctor's certificate.) YES [ ] NO [ ]

PART C FILL IN THIS PART IF YOU WISH NOT TO ENROLL OR IF YOU WISH TO CANCEL YOUR ENROLLMENT.

PLACE AN "X" IN ITEM 1 OR ITEM 2, WHICHEVER APPLIES AND ANSWER ITEM 3.

1. I elect not to enroll in any plan under the Health Benefits Act. [ ]

2. I elect to cancel my present enrollment under the Health Benefits Act. [ ]

3. The reason for my election is (Place an "X" in proper box):
(a) I am covered by a plan under the Health Benefits Act through the enrollment of my husband, wife, or parent. [ ] 1
(b) I am covered by a health insurance plan which is not under the Health Benefits Act. [ ] 2
(c) Any other reason. [ ] 3

PART D FILL IN THIS PART IF YOU WISH TO CHANGE YOUR ENROLLMENT.

I elect to change my enrollment as shown by the enrollment number and other information in Part B.

1. Enrollment code number of present plan.
2. Number of event which permits change. (See table on back of duplicate for proper number.)
3. Date of event which permits change. MONTH DAY YEAR

PART E ALL WHO REGISTER MUST FILL IN THIS PART.

William A. Branigan 6/2/60
(YOUR SIGNATURE—DO NOT PRINT) (DATE)

WARNING.—Any intentional false statement in this application or willful misrepresentation relative thereto is a violation of the law punishable by a fine of not more than $10,000 or imprisonment of not more than 5 years, or both. (18 U.S.C. 1001.)

PART F TO BE COMPLETED BY AGENCY.

1. NAME AND ADDRESS OF EMPLOYING OFFICE

(SIGNATURE OF AUTHORIZED AGENCY OFFICIAL)

2. DATE RECEIVED IN EMPLOYING OFFICE

3. EFFECTIVE DATE OF ELECTION

4. PAYROLL OFFICE NO. **15-02-0001**

5. PAYROLL ACTION (INITIALS AND DATE)

REMARKS FOR USE ONLY BY ANNUITANTS AND AGENCY.

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TO : MR. BELMONT

DATE: May 20, 1960

FROM : W. A. BRANIGAN

cc Mr. Parsons
Mr. Belmont
Administrative Division
Branigan

SUBJECT: EXPOSE OF SOVIET ESPIONAGE
MAY, 1960

William A. Branigan

Under date of May 17, 1960, the Director, with reference to the captioned material, advised that the Attorney General noted that it was a good job. Instructions for the preparation of material were received during the evening of May 13, personnel in the Domestic Intelligence Division immediately began the assembly of facts and the drafting of the written material. The work continued throughout the day and evening of Saturday, Sunday and was finally completed at approximately midnight Monday, May 16.

The preparation of this material, because of its nature, required most extensive research. The best judgment possible was required to select from the great mass of material the incidents and cases necessary to show the full pattern of Soviet espionage in the United States. But over all was the pressure to produce a document to meet the needs within an extremely short deadline.

The manner in which this document was produced by personnel in the Domestic Intelligence Division is commendable. All the employees worked with a high degree of zeal and enthusiasm over long periods of time without regard to personal convenience.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Special Agent Elbert T. Turner is primarily responsible for the production of the document. He prepared the narrative account which portrays so effectively the pattern of Soviet espionage in the United States. For his performance, it is recommended that he be given an individual letter of commendation.

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2. SA Emory M. Gregg personally conducted the research and dictated the third appendix, which is a part of the document and has to do with the international aspects of Soviet espionage. SA Gregg was also most helpful in contributing ideas which went into the writing of this paper. It is recommended that he receive a letter of commendation.

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SA [redacted] was responsible for the appendix having to do with Soviet espionage cases prosecuted during the past decade. This section, in considerable length, required most exacting research. SA [redacted] personally handled the preparation and dictation of a large portion of this material. For his excellent performance, it is recommended that he receive a letter of commendation.

SAs [redacted] and [redacted] were assigned with Agent [redacted] to do the research and prepare the material concerning cases prosecuted. These Agents, exhibiting a high degree of enthusiasm, discharged their responsibilities in a commendable manner and it is recommended that they receive individual letters of commendation.

SA [redacted] was charged with the responsibility of preparing the appendix involving the numerous cases of persons declared persona non grata. He personally prepared all of this material. For the excellent character of his work it is recommended that he be sent a letter of commendation.

3. In the preparation of a document such as this one, considerable clerical and stenographic work was involved. Since it was necessary to carry on this work over the weekend and beyond the normal working hours, our personnel volunteered their services. In this connection it will be noted that over the period of the preparation of this document, four employees contributed a total of approximately 57 hours beyond the normal workday. It is, therefore, recommended that individual letters of commendation be addressed to [redacted] and [redacted] These letters should cite the commendable attitude of the employees in a difficult situation where much pressure was being exerted.

4. In addition to the above, numerous other Special Agents and clerical employees made important contributions to the preparation of these documents. However, their work was not to the degree of the personnel mentioned above and it is not believed

that individual letters of commendation are warranted. It is, however, recommended that an additional letter of commendation be addressed to you as Assistant Director of the Division and copies of this letter will be placed in their personnel files.

ADDENDUM: D. E. MOORE:mpp 5-20-60

Section Chief William A. Branigan of the Espionage Section supervised the preparation of this detailed expose in its entirety, worked extremely long hours (his daily overtime for the four days was five hours and forty-one minutes; ten hours, five minutes; eight hours, forty-one minutes; six hours, fifty-four minutes), and did an outstanding job. He efficiently handled the assignment of various phases of the preparation of the material so that a detailed document prepared by numerous people was put together in a very limited period of time. It is recommended he be commended for his outstanding work.

also personal commendation for Mr. Belmont for the excellent product.

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TO : **MR. MOHR**

DATE: **6/9/60**

FROM : **W. S. TAVELY**

SUBJECT: **SA WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN**
Section Chief, Espionage Section
Domestic Intelligence Division
EOD 7/14/41, GS 15, $13,970

Mr. Belmont recommended that SA Branigan be promoted to GS 16, and Mr. Parsons agreed. He was promoted to GS 15 in February, 1954. He was last considered for GS 16 in July, 1959, but it was approved that he be passed over to be considered at a later date. We now have 28 super grade positions (GS 16, 17, 18) filled in the field and 34 filled at the Seat of Government, with 13 such positions to be filled.

SA Branigan entered on duty 7/14/41, is in GS 15, $13,970, is 44 years old, married with five children, and has degrees of Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Laws. He has been assigned to the Domestic Intelligence Division since August, 1947, and has been Section Chief of the Espionage Section since 1952. The Director saw him in February, 1954, and stated he seemed to be a very earnest and serious individual and rated him above average. In September, 1958, he was censured and placed on probation inasmuch as an agent under his supervision was engaged in activities inconsistent with his official duty status. He was continued on probation in November, 1958, as result of weaknesses found in the Espionage Section during inspection. In February, 1959, Mr. Malone conducted a recheck inspection of the Domestic Intelligence Division and stated Branigan made a very good appearance, had an excellent knowledge of Bureau operations and Branigan was removed from probation in March, 1959, as a result of this recheck. Since then he has received no disciplinary action and has been commended on several occasions. In his annual performance rating for 1960, Mr. Belmont rated him Excellent, stating he is forceful and aggressive, possesses initiative and ability to make decisions and take proper action, and to direct and lead personnel. He has an outstanding knowledge in the espionage field and filled the position of Section Chief in an outstanding fashion. He is interested in, completely available for and considered qualified for administrative advancement and his qualifications in this respect were rated outstanding. He is within desirable weight limits.

RECOMMENDATION:

That SA Branigan be promoted to GS 16.

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June 14, 1960

PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Branigan:

I am indeed pleased to advise you of your promotion to the position of Supervisory Special Agent (Chief of the Espionage Section), $14,430 per annum in Grade GS 16, effective June 14, 1960.

For your information, this promotion is temporary and will remain in effect only for the duration of your present assignment.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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1 - Mr. Belmont (PERSONAL ATTENTION)

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TO : Mr. Callahan

DATE: 6-14-60

FROM : C. R. Davidson

SUBJECT: SA WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
Section Chief of the Espionage Section
Domestic Intelligence Division
EOD 7-14-41; GS-16, $14,430

The following is a brief and concise summary of SA Branigan's record for the Director's use.

SA Branigan, who is 44 years of age, married and has 5 children, entered on duty 7-14-41 as a Special Agent. At the conclusion of his training period he was assigned to the Los Angeles Office on 10-8-41 and subsequently was transferred to the San Francisco Office on 8-7-42 prior to his assignment to the Domestic Intelligence Division on 8-13-47. He is presently assigned as Section Chief of the Espionage Section of the Domestic Intelligence Division in GS-16, $14,430 per annum, which promotion he received on 6-14-60.

Assistant Director A. H. Belmont rated him EXCELLENT on his 1960 Annual Performance Rating. Since January, 1959, SA Branigan has been COMMENDED on five occasions, the latest one being 5-24-60, and has not been CENSURED during this period. He was also COMMENDED, through Mr. Belmont on 8-7-59. The Director last saw SA Branigan on 2-26-54 when he called to thank the Director for his reallocation to Grade GS-15. At that time the Director said he seemed to be a very earnest and serious individual and rated him above average.

As of 2-60 he did not list any Office of Preference.

Under date of 7-14-59 the Director congratulated him on his Eighteenth Anniversary in the service of the Bureau.

His 1960 Annual Performance Rating reflected that he was interested in, completely available for and considered completely qualified for administrative advancement. His qualifications in this regard were considered Outstanding.

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SA Branigan has exceeded the office average overtime five of the last six months and has performed the following: December, 1959, 2 hours 7 minutes; January, 1960, 3 hours 8 minutes; February, 2 hours 47 minutes; March, 2 hours 33 minutes; April, 2 hours 34 minutes; and May, 1960, 4 hours 24 minutes.

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memo Mr. Tolson 6/15/60 JE Hoover

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PERMANENT BRIEF OF THE PERSONNEL FILE OF WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN ENCLOSED.

His 1960 Annual Physical Examination dated 1-29-60 reflected that he was within the desirable weight limits for his height and frame.

In his capacity of Section Chief of the Espionage Section he has 24 Special Agent Supervisors who handle espionage matters, including Double Agents, Contacts and special espionage cases.

June 15, 1960

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON

Today I saw Special Agent William A. Branigan, Section Chief of the Espionage Section, who called to thank me for his reallocation to GS-16. Mr. Branigan makes a good, substantial appearance, seems to be sincere in his work, and I would rate him above average.

Very truly yours,

1s1 J. E H

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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SENT FROM D. O.
TIME 10:59 A.M.
DATE 6-16-60

July 14, 1960

PERSONAL

Dear Mr. Branigan:

I note that you are celebrating your nineteenth anniversary with the FBI and I do want to extend my sincere best wishes for this occasion. I hope these past years have been as rewarding to you as they have been to me for I am indeed proud of the many contributions you have made toward the success of this Bureau's work. My heartiest congratulations on this occasion.

Sincerely,

J. EDGAR HOOVER

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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November 25, 1960

PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Branigan:

I am pleased to commend you for your excellent supervision at the Seat of Government relative to the development of a highly confidential source of great value to the Bureau in the security field.

The development of this source was indeed an outstanding achievement which can be attributed in no small degree to your splendid leadership, skill and ingenuity in discharging your responsibilities. You exhibited superior intelligence in handling this matter and you certainly made a major contribution to the success realized. I do not want the opportunity to pass without letting you know of my appreciation.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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The Government property which you hereby acknowledge is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care of it and returning it when its use has been completed. DO NOT MARK OR WRITE ON IT OR MUTILATE IT IN ANY WAY.

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Very truly yours,

(Written Signature) William A. Branigan

(Typed Signature) William A. Branigan

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

RE: SA William A. Branigan
(Type or print plainly)

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of $10, payable to the Assistant Director, Administrative Division, FBI, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for a continuous period of two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Assistant Director of the Administrative Division of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Assistant Director of the Administrative Division, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $10,000. The liability of the fund shall not under any circumstances exceed the amount of monies in the fund at the time any liability shall occur. The following person is designated as my beneficiary for FBI Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name	Relationship	Date
Lois H. Branigan	Wife	9/8/60

Address: 2317 N. Kentucky St.,Arlington, Virginia

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing $1500 death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in the line of duty, other than travel accidents.

Name	Relationship	Date
Lois H. Branigan	Wife	9/8/60

Address: 2317 N. Kentucky Street, Arlington, Virginia

Very truly yours,

William A. Branigan

Special Agent

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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
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I certify that I have received the following Government property for official use:

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Very truly yours,

(Written Signature) William A. Branigan

(Typed Signature) WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

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(Rev. June 1956)

REPORT OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION

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1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME	2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION	3. IDENTIFICATION NO.
BRANIGAN WILLIAM ALOYSIUS	SPECIAL AGENT	
4. HOME ADDRESS (*Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State*)	**5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION**	**6. DATE OF EXAMINATION**
		1-27-61

7. SEX	8. RACE	9. TOTAL YEARS GOVERNMENT SERVICE		10. AGENCY	11. ORGANIZATION UNIT
		MILITARY	CIVILIAN		
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12. DATE OF BIRTH	13. PLACE OF BIRTH	14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
3-23-16	ALBANY, N.Y.	

15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS	16. OTHER INFORMATION
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17. RATING OR SPECIALTY	TIME IN THIS CAPACITY (*Total*)	LAST SIX MONTHS

CLINICAL EVALUATION

NORMAL	(*Check each item in appropriate column; enter "NE" if not evaluated.*)	ABNORMAL
	18. HEAD, FACE, NECK, AND SCALP	
	19. NOSE	
	20. SINUSES	
	21. MOUTH AND THROAT	
	22. EARS—GENERAL (*Int. & ext. canals*) (*Auditory acuity under items 70 and 71*)	
	23. DRUMS (*Perforation*)	
	24. EYES—GENERAL (*Visual acuity and refraction under items 59, 60 and 67*)	
NE	25. OPHTHALMOSCOPIC	
	26. PUPILS (*Equality and reaction*)	
	27. OCULAR MOTILITY (*Associated parallel movements, nystagmus*)	
	28. LUNGS AND CHEST (*Include breasts*)	
	29. HEART (*Thrust, size, rhythm, sounds*)	
	30. VASCULAR SYSTEM (*Varicosities, etc.*)	
	31. ABDOMEN AND VISCERA (*Include hernia*)	
	32. ANUS AND RECTUM (*Hemorrhoids, fistulae*) (*Prostate, if indicated*)	
	33. ENDOCRINE SYSTEM	
	34. G-U SYSTEM	
	35. UPPER EXTREMITIES (*Strength, range of motion*)	
	36. FEET	
	37. LOWER EXTREMITIES (*Except feet*) (*Strength, range of motion*)	
	38. SPINE, OTHER MUSCULOSKELETAL	
	39. IDENTIFYING BODY MARKS, SCARS, TATTOOS	
	40. SKIN, LYMPHATICS	
	41. NEUROLOGIC (*Equilibrium tests under item 78*)	
	42. PSYCHIATRIC (*Specify any personality deviation*)	
	43. PELVIC (*Females only*) (*Check how done*) ☐ VAGINAL ☐ RECTAL	

NOTES. (*Describe every abnormality in detail. Enter pertinent item number before each comment. Continue in item 73 and use additional sheets if necessary.*)

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44. DENTAL (*Place appropriate symbols above or below number of upper and lower teeth, respectively.*)

○—*Restorable teeth* /—*Nonrestorable teeth* X—*Missing teeth* XXX—*Replaced by dentures* (6 X 8)—*Fixed bridge, brackets to include abutments*

RIGHT	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	LEFT
	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	

REMARKS AND ADDITIONAL DENTAL DEFECTS AND DISEASES

defects noted

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LABORATORY FINDINGS

45. URINALYSIS: A. SPECIFIC GRAVITY	1.022	46. CHEST X-RAY (*Place, date, film number and result*)
B. ALBUMIN	Neg.	REC-139
C. SUGAR	Neg.	1-29-61 Normal
47. SEROLOGY (*Specify test used and result*)	48. EKG	49. BLOOD TYPE AND RH FACTOR
35DEC10 1964 Neg.	WNL	

50. OTHER TESTS

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MEASUREMENTS AND OTHER FINDINGS

51. HEIGHT	52. WEIGHT	53. COLOR HAIR	54. COLOR EYES	55. BUILD: ☐ SLENDER ☐ MEDIUM ☒ HEAVY ☐ OBESE	56. TEMPERATURE
71	167				98

57. BLOOD PRESSURE (*Arm at heart level*)

A. SITTING	SYS. 130 / DIAS. 70	B. RECUMBENT	SYS. / DIAS.	C. STANDING (3 min.)	SYS. / DIAS.

58. PULSE (*Arm at heart level*)

A. SITTING	B. AFTER EXERCISE	C. 2 MIN. AFTER	D. RECUMBENT	E. AFTER STANDING 3 MIN.
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59. DISTANT VISION		60. REFRACTION		61. NEAR VISION	
RIGHT 20/ 25	CORR. TO 20/ 20	BY Glas S.	OX	20/16 CORR. TO	BY
LEFT 20/ 30	CORR. TO 20/ 20	BY Glas S.	OX	20/16 CORR. TO	BY

62. HETEROPHORIA (*Specify distance*)

ES° EX° R. H. L. H. PRISM DIV. PRISM CONV. CT PC

63. ACCOMMODATION		64. COLOR VISION (*Test used and result*)	65. DEPTH PERCEPTION (*Test used and score*)	UNCORRECTED
RIGHT	LEFT	AOC-1476 18/18		CORRECTED
66. FIELD OF VISION		**67. NIGHT VISION** (*Test used and score*)	**68. RED LENS TEST**	**69. INTRAOCULAR TENSION**

70. HEARING

RIGHT WV /15 SV /15

LEFT WV 15 /15 SV 15 /15

71. AUDIOMETER

	250 *256*	500 *512*	1000 *1024*	2000 *2048*	3000 *2896*	4000 *4096*	6000 *6144*	8000 *8192*
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LEFT								

72. PSYCHOLOGICAL AND PSYCHOMOTOR (*Tests used and score*)

73. NOTES (*Continued*) **AND SIGNIFICANT OR INTERVAL HISTORY**

(*Use additional sheets if necessary*)

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74. SUMMARY OF DEFECTS AND DIAGNOSES (*List diagnosis with item numbers*)

75. RECOMMENDATIONS: FURTHER SPECIALIST EXAMINATIONS INDICATED (*Specify*)

76. A. PHYSICAL PROFILE

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77. EXAMINEE (*Check*)

A. ☑ IS QUALIFIED FOR

B. ☐ IS NOT QUALIFIED FOR

B. PHYSICAL CATEGORY

78. IF NOT QUALIFIED, LIST DISQUALIFYING DEFECTS BY ITEM NUMBER

A	B	C	E

79. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN [redacted], Capt., MC, USA — **SIGNATURE** G. L. Johnston

80. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN — **SIGNATURE**

81. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF DENTIST OR PHYSICIAN (*Indicate which*) — **SIGNATURE**

82. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF REVIEWING OFFICER OR APPROVING AUTHORITY — **SIGNATURE**

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REPORT OF MEDICAL HISTORY

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1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME	2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION	IDENTIFICATION NO.
BRANIGAN WILLIAM ALOYSIUS	SPECIAL AGENT	
4. HOME ADDRESS (Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State)	5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION	6. DATE OF EXAMINATION
	ANNUAL PHYSICAL	1-27-61

7. SEX	8. RACE	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE MILITARY	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE CIVILIAN	10. DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, OR SERVICE	11. ORGANIZATION UNIT
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12. DATE OF BIRTH	13. PLACE OF BIRTH	14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
3-23-16	ALBANY N.Y.	

15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS	16. OTHER INFORMATION

17. STATEMENT OF EXAMINEE'S PRESENT HEALTH IN OWN WORDS. *(Follow by description of past history, if complaint exists)*

EXCELLENT

18. FAMILY HISTORY

RELATION	AGE	STATE OF HEALTH	IF DEAD, CAUSE OF DEATH	AGE AT DEATH
FATHER			CORONARY	80
MOTHER	84	GOOD		
SPOUSE	43	EXCELLENT		
BROTHERS AND SISTERS	47	EXCELLENT		
	49	EXCELLENT		
CHILDREN	2	EXCELLENT		
	6	"		
	8	"		
	13	"		
	17	"		

19. HAS ANY BLOOD RELATION *(Parent, brother, sister, other)* OR HUSBAND OR WIFE:

YES	NO	(Check each item)	RELATION(S)
		HAD TUBERCULOSIS	
		HAD SYPHILIS	
		HAD DIABETES	
		HAD CANCER	
		HAD KIDNEY TROUBLE	
		HAD HEART TROUBLE	
		HAD STOMACH TROUBLE	
		HAD RHEUMATISM (*Arthritis*)	
		HAD ASTHMA, HAY FEVER, HIVES	
		HAD EPILEPSY (*Fits*)	
		COMMITTED SUICIDE	
		BEEN INSANE	

20. HAVE YOU EVER HAD OR HAVE YOU NOW *(Place check at left of each item)*

YES	NO	(Check each item)	YES	NO	(Check each item)	YES	NO	(Check each item)	YES	NO	(Check each item)
	X	SCARLET FEVER, ERYSIPELAS		X	GOITER		X	TUMOR, GROWTH, CYST, CANCER		X	"TRICK" OR LOCKED KNEE
	X	DIPHTHERIA		X	TUBERCULOSIS		X	RUPTURE		X	FOOT TROUBLE
	X	RHEUMATIC FEVER		X	SOAKING SWEATS (*Night sweats*)	X		APPENDICITIS		X	NEURITIS
	X	SWOLLEN OR PAINFUL JOINTS		X	ASTHMA	X		PILES OR RECTAL DISEASE		X	PARALYSIS (*Inc. infantile*)
X		MUMPS		X	SHORTNESS OF BREATH		X	FREQUENT OR PAINFUL URINATION		X	EPILEPSY OR FITS
X		WHOOPING COUGH		X	PAIN OR PRESSURE IN CHEST		X	KIDNEY STONE OR BLOOD IN URINE		X	CAR, TRAIN, SEA, OR AIR SICKNESS
	X	FREQUENT OR SEVERE HEADACHE		X	CHRONIC COUGH		X	SUGAR OR ALBUMIN IN URINE		X	FREQUENT TROUBLE SLEEPING
	X	DIZZINESS OR FAINTING SPELLS		X	PALPITATION OR POUNDING HEART		X	BOILS		X	FREQUENT OR TERRIFYING NIGHTMARES
	X	EYE TROUBLE		X	HIGH OR LOW BLOOD PRESSURE		X	VENEREAL DISEASE		X	DEPRESSION OR EXCESSIVE WORRY
	X	EAR, NOSE OR THROAT TROUBLE		X	CRAMPS IN YOUR LEGS		X	RECENT GAIN OR LOSS OF WEIGHT		X	LOSS OF MEMORY OR AMNESIA
	X	RUNNING EARS		X	FREQUENT INDIGESTION		X	ARTHRITIS OR RHEUMATISM		X	BED WETTING
	X	CHRONIC OR FREQUENT COLDS		X	STOMACH, LIVER OR INTESTINAL TROUBLE		X	BONE, JOINT, OR OTHER DEFORMITY		X	NERVOUS TROUBLE OF ANY SORT
	X	SEVERE TOOTH OR GUM TROUBLE		X	GALL BLADDER TROUBLE OR GALL STONES		X	LAMENESS		X	ANY DRUG OR NARCOTIC HABIT
X		SINUSITIS		X	JAUNDICE		X	LOSS OF ARM, LEG, FINGER, OR TOE		X	EXCESSIVE DRINKING HABIT
	X	HAY FEVER		X	ANY REACTION TO SERUM, DRUG OR MEDICINE		X	PAINFUL OR "TRICK" SHOULDER OR ELBOW		X	HOMOSEXUAL TENDENCIES

21. HAVE YOU EVER (Check each item)					
X		WORN GLASSES		X	ATTEMPTED SUICIDE
	X	WORN AN ARTIFICIAL EYE		X	BEEN A SLEEP WALKER
	X	WORN HEARING AIDS		X	LIVED WITH ANYONE WHO HAD TUBERCULOSIS
	X	STUTTERED OR STAMMERED		X	COUGHED UP BLOOD
	X	WORN A BRACE OR BACK SUPPORT		X	BLED EXCESSIVELY AFTER INJURY OR TOOTH EXTRACTION

22. FEMALES ONLY: A. HAVE YOU EVER—		B. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:	
		BEEN PREGNANT	AGE AT ONSET OF MENSTRUATION
		HAD A VAGINAL DISCHARGE	INTERVAL BETWEEN PERIODS
		BEEN TREATED FOR A FEMALE DISORDER	DURATION OF PERIODS
		HAD PAINFUL MENSTRUATION	DATE OF LAST PERIOD
		HAD IRREGULAR MENSTRUATION	QUANTITY: ☐ NORMAL ☐ EXCESSIVE ☐ SCANTY

23. HOW MANY JOBS HAVE YOU HAD IN THE PAST THREE YEARS? ONE

24. WHAT IS THE LONGEST PERIOD YOU HELD ANY OF THESE JOBS? MONTHS 19 YEARS

25. WHAT IS YOUR USUAL OCCUPATION? SPECIAL AGENT

26. ARE YOU (Check one) ☐ RIGHT HANDED ☒ LEFT HANDED

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YES	NO	CHECK EACH ITEM YES OR NO. EVERY ITEM CHECKED "YES" MUST BE FULLY EXPLAINED IN BLANK SPACE ON RIGHT
	X	27. HAVE YOU BEEN UNABLE TO HOLD A JOB BECAUSE OF: A. SENSITIVITY TO CHEMICALS, DUST, SUNLIGHT, ETC.
	X	B. INABILITY TO PERFORM CERTAIN MOTIONS
	X	C. INABILITY TO ASSUME CERTAIN POSITIONS
	X	D. OTHER MEDICAL REASONS (*If yes, give reasons*)
	X	28. HAVE YOU EVER WORKED WITH RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCE?
	X	29. DID YOU HAVE DIFFICULTY WITH SCHOOL STUDIES OR TEACHERS? (*If yes, give details*)
	X	30. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REFUSED EMPLOYMENT BECAUSE OF YOUR HEALTH? (*If yes, state reason and give details*)
	X	31. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DENIED LIFE INSURANCE? (*If yes, state reason and give details*)
X		32. HAVE YOU HAD, OR HAVE YOU BEEN ADVISED TO HAVE, ANY OPERATIONS? (*If yes, describe and give age at which occurred*) — APPENDICITIS 33 yrs.
	X	33. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN A PATIENT (*committed or voluntary*) IN A MENTAL HOSPITAL OR SANATORIUM? (*If yes, specify when, where, why, and name of doctor, and complete address of hospital or clinic*)
	X	34. HAVE YOU EVER HAD ANY ILLNESS OR INJURY OTHER THAN THOSE ALREADY NOTED? (*If yes, specify when, where, and give details*)
	X	35. HAVE YOU CONSULTED OR BEEN TREATED BY CLINICS, PHYSICIANS, HEALERS, OR OTHER PRACTITIONERS WITHIN THE PAST 5 YEARS? (*If yes, give complete address of doctor, hospital, clinic, and details*)
	X	36. HAVE YOU TREATED YOURSELF FOR ILLNESSES OTHER THAN MINOR COLDS? (*If yes, which illnesses*)
	X	37. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REJECTED FOR MILITARY SERVICE BECAUSE OF PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR OTHER REASONS? (*If yes, give date and reason for rejection*)
	X	38. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DISCHARGED FROM MILITARY SERVICE BECAUSE OF PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR OTHER REASONS? (*If yes, give date, reason, and type of discharge: whether honorable, other than honorable, for unfitness or unsuitability*)
	X	39. HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED, IS THERE PENDING, HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR, OR DO YOU INTEND TO APPLY FOR PENSION OR COMPENSATION FOR EXISTING DISABILITY? (*If yes, specify what kind, granted by whom, and what amount, when, why*)

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE REVIEWED THE FOREGOING INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY ME AND THAT IT IS TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.
I AUTHORIZE ANY OF THE DOCTORS, HOSPITALS, OR CLINICS MENTIONED ABOVE TO FURNISH THE GOVERNMENT A COMPLETE TRANSCRIPT OF MY MEDICAL RECORD FOR PURPOSES OF PROCESSING MY APPLICATION FOR THIS EMPLOYMENT OR SERVICE.

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF EXAMINEE: WILLIAM A BRANNIGAN — SIGNATURE: William A. Brannigan

40. PHYSICIAN'S SUMMARY AND ELABORATION OF ALL PERTINENT DATA (*Physician shall comment on all positive answers in items 20 thru 39*)

No present complaints nor symptoms

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN OR EXAMINER	DATE	SIGNATURE	NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS
G. R. JOHNSTON, CAPT, MC, USN	JAN 27 '61	G. R. Johnston	

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Attachment to Standard Form 88, Report of Medical Examination
For Information and Guidance of Medical Examiner

Name of Examinee (Type or print) BRANIGAN (Last) William (First) Aloysius (Middle)

The following portions of the attached examination report form need not be completed:

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46. Is necessary unless facilities for affording same are not readily available.

48. Not required unless examinee is over 35 years of age or examination indicates such is desirable.

49. Is necessary unless facilities for affording same are not readily available.

71. Audiometer examinations should be afforded whenever possible.

For All Examinees, Whether Clerical or Special Agent Applicants or Employees:

The medical examiner should answer the following question:

Examinee ☑ is ☐ is not qualified for strenuous physical exertion.

To be Answered in the Case of All Male Employees and Male Applicants:

1. Does examinee have any defects restricting or prohibiting his participation in defensive tactics and dangerous assignments which might entail the practical use of firearms?

☑ No ☐ Yes If "yes" please specify defects. _____

2. Does examinee have any defects prohibiting safe operation of motor vehicles?

☑ No ☐ Yes If "yes" please specify defects. _____

If examinee has defective vision, should he wear corrective glasses while operating a motor vehicle? ☐ Yes ☒ No

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Desirable Weight Ranges for Males

Height	Small Frame	Medium Frame	Large Frame
5' 4"	117 - 125	123 - 135	131 - 148
5' 5"	120 - 129	126 - 139	134 - 152
5' 6"	124 - 133	130 - 143	138 - 157
5' 7"	128 - 137	134 - 148	143 - 162
5' 8"	132 - 141	138 - 152	147 - 166
5' 9"	136 - 146	142 - 156	151 - 170
5' 10"	140 - 150	146 - 161	155 - 175
5' 11"	144 - 154	150 - 166	160 - 180
6'	148 - 158	154 - 171	164 - 185
6' 1"	152 - 163	158 - 176	169 - 190
6' 2"	156 - 167	163 - 181	174 - 195
6' 3"	160 - 171	168 - 186	178 - 200
6' 4"	169 - 180	178 - 196	188 - 210
6' 5"	174 - 185	182 - 202	192 - 216

3. Examinee's frame is ☐ small ☐ medium ☒ large

4. Considering above weight table, the examinee's frame, and other individual physical characteristics, I consider his present weight ☒ Satisfactory ☐ Excessive ☐ Deficient

5. Under proper medical supervision, examinee should ☐ lose _____ pounds
☐ gain _____ pounds

Remarks: _____

G. R. Johnston
(Signature of Medical Examiner)

FEB 7 1961
(Date)

Mr. S. A. Andretta
Administrative Assistant Attorney General

January 25, 1961

Director, FBI

Parking

It is requested an additional parking sticker for space 22, Court E, U.S.D.J. Garage, be issued to W. A. Branigan.

Mr. Branigan has a 1961 Volkswagen with Virginia license A-178-156.

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Name: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN **Title:** Section Chief, Espionage Section

EOD: 7/14/41 **Grade:** GS-16 at $15,515

NONVETERAN **NOT ON PROBATION**

NOT ON LIMITED DUTY

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR BELMONT: Mr. Branigan has served as Chief of the Espionage Section of this Division since 10/23/51. His Section has the responsibility for the supervision of espionage and intelligence investigations involving the Soviet Union and certain satellite countries. He has an extensive background in the investigation of espionage matters, which, together with his interest and enthusiasm, permits him to perform in excellent fashion in this capacity. He has a pleasant, enthusiastic, aggressive personality, and makes a fine appearance and impression. He shows initiative and ingenuity in the supervision of the work of his Section and has demonstrated he is a capable Bureau administrative employee. He has received no letters of censure since the last inspection, but has received five letters of commendation, one of which was subsequent to the last performance rating. They all arose as a result of the excellent manner in which he was supervising the Bureau's espionage program. His performance continues to be of a very high order.

Rating: EXCELLENT

INSPECTOR E. C. WILLIAMS (meh, 12/6/60) The views of Assistant Director Belmont are in accord with those of the Inspector. Mr. Branigan presents an above-average appearance and personality and gives every indication of being a serious, dedicated employee. He is considered a capable administrator with a thorough knowledge of his duties and responsibilities. He is interested in and available for administrative advancement for which his potential is considered very good. He is within satisfactory weight limits and has equally shared the work load in the division.

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TO : A. H. BELMONT

DATE: November 9, 1960

FROM : W. A. BRANIGAN

(U) SUBJECT: [redacted] (S)

WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

To recommend incentive awards and letters of commendation for the Agents who participated in the identification, location and interrogation of the subject, who has admitted he is a Soviet illegal agent in the U. S. and who is currently being handled by the New York Office. (S)

Origin of Case:

(U) [redacted] (S) The actual reviewing of these applications is performed by a team of eight Agents from the Washington Field Office. This group is headed by SA Carl E. Graham who is responsible for the operation. The screening began on 6/29/60, and the group reviews approximately 4,800 applications daily. This work is of a very tedious nature and demands very close attention to detail on each examination in an attempt to detect one or more of the items which might signal the presence of a Soviet illegal agent. (S)

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SA Graham selected [redacted]

(U) [redacted] (S) SA Graham's judgment has been substantiated by the admissions made by the subject.

Location of the Subject:

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This case has been assigned, since its inception in the New York Office, to SA James P. Kehoe. The investigation showed that

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1 - Mr. Parsons
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1 - Mr. D. E. Moore
1 - Mr. Branigan
1 - Administrative Division
1 - Mr. Litrento

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Memorandum Branigan to Belmont
(U) Re: [redacted] (S)

spread investigation was initiated in July, 1960, to locate the subject. Large-scale checks of rooming houses, hotels and banks were made. All logical public records such as drivers' licenses, automobile registrations, Blue Cross applications, et cetera, were checked in an effort to locate the subject. In September, 1960,
(U) during a check of one million applications for library cards, an application [redacted] and it was determined b7E
that he was living at the address furnished on the application.

(U) [redacted] (S)

Interrogation of the Subject:

(U) [redacted] (S) subject was interviewed at a suitable location outside New York City. During the interview subject told many stories and on many occasions was most uncooperative. The interview was of necessity, most exhaustive and during the interrogation many trying psychological circumstances were presented.

The interrogation finally resulted in subject furnishing information as to his true status as a Soviet-bloc illegal espionage
(U) agent and describing in detail his selection for his assignments and the training he received. He also finally agreed to furnish complete details of his dispatch to the United States and to cooperate fully to the extent of disclosing all available information concerning his knowledge and beliefs with regard to Soviet-bloc espionage activities. (S)

Memorandum Branigan to Belmont
Re: (U) [redacted] (S) b7E

(U) This case represents the second instance in which we have been able to successfully penetrate the Soviet intelligence network in the U. S. This represents a penetration of the Soviets "deep cover" operations and has furnished the Bureau with a second avenue for intelligence information concerning the methods, targets and personnel engaged in espionage in this country. (S)

Recommendations of SAC, New York:

SAC, New York recommends incentive awards for the following agents:

(1) SA James P. Kehoe. He has had this case assigned to him since it began. He devised many of the investigative techniques used to locate the subject, arranged for and participated in the development of the anonymous source and also played a major role in the interrogation of the subject.

Domestic Intelligence Division concurs and recommends an incentive award of $150.

(2) SA [redacted]. He assisted in much of the planning of the investigation. [redacted] b6

Domestic Intelligence Division concurs and recommends an incentive award of $150.

(3) SA James E. Freaney, along with SA Flynn, secured on a confidential basis the house which was used in the questioning of the subject. (U) Utilizing his long and varied experience in Soviet espionage matters, he also participated in the questioning of the subject. (S)

Domestic Intelligence Division concurs and recommends an incentive award of $150.

(4) SA Lawrence McWilliams. He used great persuasiveness and tenacity during the questioning of the subject, and at the present time he is the main contact of the subject.

Domestic Intelligence Division concurs and recommends an incentive award of $150.

(U) Memorandum Branigan to Belmont
Re: [redacted] (S) b7E

(5) SAs [redacted] and [redacted] These Agents handled all the administrative details [redacted]

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Domestic Intelligence Division concurs and recommends an incentive award of $150 each.

(6) SAs [redacted] and Carlyle W. Miller. These Agents were responsible for the security and safety of the subject during portions of each night. They also on occasion assisted in the interviews of subject and assisted in necessary arrangements in connection with the maintenance of residence.

Domestic Intelligence Division concurs and recommends an incentive award of $100 each.

SAC, New York recommends letters of commendation for the following:

(1) SA William A. Flynn, Jr. He is a Resident Agent at White Plains, New York, and he assisted SA Freaney in locating the house used for the interview. He also maintained liaison with the owner of the premises in order that the entire affair could be conducted with complete discretion and with no possibility of embarrassment to the Bureau.

Domestic Intelligence Division concurs and recommdnds a letter of commendation for SA Flynn.

(2) SA Joseph F. Diffley. He assisted in the planning of the various phases of this operation and assisted SA Kehoe in the setting up of and subsequent contact with the anonymous source.

Domestic Intelligence Division concurs and recommends a letter of commendation for SA Diffley.

(3) SA [redacted]

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(U) [redacted] and assisted SA Kehoe [redacted] (S)

(U) Memorandum Branigan to Belmont
Re: [redacted] (S)

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[redacted] obtained without cost to the Bureau.
(U) SA [redacted] also assisted in arranging for the coverage of the subject's mail and maintained the daily contact necessary for this coverage. (S)

Domestic Intelligence Division concurs and recommends a letter of commendation for SA [redacted]

(4) ASAC Joseph L. Schmit. ASAC Schmit who is in charge of the Espionage Division of the New York Office gave this case his personal attention on a day-to-day basis and, except for a period of hospitalization, he reviewed and approved all communications in this case. He participated personally in all major decisions and provided inspiring leadership for all Agents participating in this case.

Domestic Intelligence Division concurs and recommends a letter of commendation for ASAC Schmit.

(5) Staff Supervisor Arnold E. Brandt. In his position as Staff Supervisor, SA Brandt had over-all responsibility for all phases of the investigation. The SAC, New York recommends a letter of commendation to him for the effective manner in which he handled his duties.

Domestic Intelligence Division concurs and recommends a letter of commendation for Staff Supervisor Brandt.

(6) Supervisor James T. O'Brien. Supervisor O'Brien has been charged with the direct and specific responsibility for the investigation of this case, and in the absence of Staff Supervisor Brandt shared the over-all supervision. He provided effective on-the-spot leadership and was instrumental in devising the programs and procedures leading to the successful completion of this phase of the case.

Domestic Intelligence Division concurs and recommends a letter of commendation for Supervisor O'Brien.

SAC, New York recommends a general letter of commendation be directed to the New York Office in recognition of the noteworthy accomplishments of other employees handling specific phases of the case.

Domestic Intelligence Division concurs and recommends that such a letter be prepared.

Memorandum Branigan to Belmont
(U) Re: [redacted] b7E

SAC, New York comments on the outstanding contributions of the personnel of the FBI Laboratory who worked long hours performing examinations to provide answers to technical questions.

Domestic Intelligence Division recommends this memorandum be forwarded to the FBI Laboratory for its comments concerning any commendatory action with regard to its personnel.

Domestic Intelligence Division Recommendations:

The Domestic Intelligence Division recommends that SA Carl E. Graham of the Washington Field Office be given an incentive award in the amount of $150 for his enthusiastic and dedicated approach to a very tedious and time-consuming job. The above qualities were directly responsible for his ability
(U) to select the subject's application as one which presented potentiality as a Soviet illegal agent. The successful results of the interrogation of the subject amply show that SA Graham's judgment was correct. Therefore, Domestic Intelligence Division recommends he be given an incentive award of $150.

ACTION:

It is recommended that this memorandum be forwarded to the Administrative Division for the preparation of the appropriate incentive awards and letter of commendation.

ADDENDUM:

Inspector D. E. Moore personally represented Bureau headquarters in the approach to the subject and the subsequent questioning. He bore the major responsibility for the interview. Without question this was a heavy responsibility, discharged in an outstanding manner, and the successful results were in no small measure due to Inspector Moore's devotion to duty. He should be given an incentive award in an amount to be determined by the Administrative Division.

In addition, I recommend that Section Chief Branigan, and Supervisor Litrento be given letters of commendation. This whole program is a major breakthrough in our
(U) efforts to penetrate and infiltrate Soviet bloc intelligence, and consequently these letters of commendation are fully warranted.

A. H. Belmont

SEE NEXT PAGE

Memorandum Branigan to Belmont
Re: (U) [redacted] (S) b7E

ADDENDUM (IWC:mn)

Special Agents L. L. Shaneyfelt, F. E. Webb, [redacted] J. F. Gallagher and [redacted] of the Laboratory Div. made outstanding contributions in the expeditious examination of evidence in this case in order to provide immediate answers which might be of assistance in guiding the investigation and course of interrogation. It is recommended that they receive individual letters of commendation for their contributions to the case. b6

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ADDENDUM ADMINISTRATIVE DIVISION NEM:crt 11-17-60

Based on information furnished by SAC, New York, Domestic Intelligence Division and the Laboratory it certainly appears that special recognition is deserving in this case. The agents recommended for incentive awards performed under extremely trying circumstances and made valuable contributions to the splendid results achieved. Those recommended for commendation also contributed substantially to the success realized.

BUREAU RECORDS OF AGENTS RECOMMENDED FOR INCENTIVE AWARDS:

During the past three years no administrative action has been taken against any of these agents with the exception of Inspector Donald E. Moore. All were rated Excellent on their 1960 annual performance ratings. All are within desirable weight limits and are completely available. There follows additional information concerning their records.

SA Kehoe - EOD 3-26-51, Grade GS 13, $10,635. During past three years one commendation and three incentive awards, the last on 1-11-60 of $150 in connection with the KAROT, Espionage-R case. Overtime above office average 2 of past 6 months and he had substantial daily average of approximately 2'48" compared to New York Office average of 2'24".

SA [redacted] Grade GS 13, $11,935. During past three years [redacted]

SA Freaney - EOD 8-11-41, Grade GS 13, $11,935. During past three years one commendation through his SAC. Overtime above office average two of past six months and he had substantial daily average of approximately 2'57" compared to New York Office average of 2'24".

SA McWilliams - EOD 1-22-51 and in Grade GS 13, $10,635. During past three years two commendations and two incentive awards, the last on 5-16-60 in connection with tracing of American money used by Soviets. Overtime exceeded office average 4 of past 6 months.

SA [redacted] Grade GS 13, $11,155. During past three years [redacted]

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SA [redacted] Grade GS 12, $9215. During past three years two commenda-

SA [redacted] Grade GS 13, $11,935. During past three years [redacted]

ADDENDUM: (Continued)

SA [redacted] Grade GS 12, $9215. During the past three years [redacted]

SA Miller - EOD 4-28-52, Grade GS 12, $9215. During past three years one commendation and commended once through his SAC. Overtime above office average 3 of past 6 months.
SA Graham - EOD 5-5-41 and is in grade GS 13, $11,935. During past three years commended twice and once through his SAC. Overtime above office average two of past six months (on annual leave the entire month of August); however, for the five-month period, excluding August, he maintained substantial average of 2'29" compared to the WFO average of 2'32".
Inspector Moore - EOD 3-10-41, Grade GS 17, $16,530. During past three years he was censured on two occasions and on 9-16-58 censured and placed on probation as Agent Supervisors in the Domestic Intelligence Division were discovered engaging in activities completely inconsistent with the fact they had indicated on attendance registers they had begun official duties. Removed from probation 3-11-59. Commended on five occasions and on 4-6-59 received $200 incentive award for outstanding work in connection with the KAROT, Espionage-R case. Overtime exceeded division average each of past 6 months.

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Based on approved tables for determining amounts of incentive awards the performances of these agents are considered to be of moderate value and broad application to the work of the Bureau entitling them to awards of from $150 to $300.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

(1) That SAs Kehoe, [redacted] Freaney, [redacted] and [redacted] who played major roles in the handling and interrogation of the subject each be granted an incentive award in the amount of $200. (Amount recommended is in line with previous awards granted for similar performances.)

K-Same.

(2) That SAs [redacted] and Miller each be granted an incentive award in the amount of $150 for the splendid manner in which they handled the security and safety of the subject during portions of each night and the assistance they rendered on occasions in connection with the interviews of the subject. (Amount recommended is in line with previous awards granted for similar performances.)

K - Same.

ADDENDUM: (Continued)

RECOMMENDATIONS: (Continued)

(3) That SA Graham be granted an incentive award in the amount of $300 for the splendid manner in which he has discharged his responsibilities in the screening of Social Security applications which resulted in the identification of the subject as a Soviet (U) illegal agent. It was his alertness and judgment which provided the key to this entire matter in that he selected the subject's application from the thousands being reviewed as (U) one which presented potentialities of a Soviet illegal agent. Amount recommended is in line with previous awards granted for similar performance it being noted that the agent who initially located the document which subsequently led to the identification of [redacted] as the subject in the [redacted] Kidnaping case received an award of $300.)

(4) That Inspector Donald E. Moore be granted an incentive award in the amount of $200 for the superior manner in which he discharged his responsibilities in connection with the approach to the subject and the subsequent interviews. (Amount recommended is in line with previous awards granted for similar performances.)

(5) That SAs Flynn, [redacted] Brandt and O'Brien and ASAC Schmit all of the New York Office, each be commended for the valuable contributions they made to this investigation.

(6) That a general letter of commendation be addressed to SAC, New York, for inclusion in the personnel files of others who assisted in this investigation.

(7) That Section Chief Branigan and Supervisor Litrento, Domestic Intelligence Division, each be commended for the splendid supervision of this case at SOG.

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ADDENDUM: (Continued)

RECOMMENDATIONS: (Continued)

same (8) That SAs Shaneyfelt, Webb, [redacted] Gallagher and [redacted] Laboratory Division, each be commended for the splendid contributions they made in connection with the expeditious examination of evidence which assisted the agents in handling the interviews.

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PERMANENT BRIEFS OF PERSONNEL FILES OF SAS KEHOE, [redacted] FREANEY, [redacted] MILLER AND GRAHAM AND INSPECTOR MOORE ARE ATTACHED.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

Name of Employee: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

Where Assigned: Domestic Intelligence (Division) Espionage (Section, Unit)

Official Position Title: Supervisory Special Agent (Section Chief) GS-16

Rating Period: from April 1, 1960 to March 31, 1961

ADJECTIVE RATING: EXCELLENT
Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

Employee's Initials: WAB

	Signature	Title	Date
Rated by:	Donald E. Moore	Inspector	3-31-61
Reviewed by:	Alex Rosen	Assistant Director	3-31-61
Rating Approved by:	W. P. Callahan	Assistant Director	APR 19 1961

TYPE OF REPORT

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PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD-185)

Name of Employee: **William A. Branigan** Title: **Supervisory Special Agent (Section Chief) GS-16**

Rating Period: from **4-1-60** to **3-31-61**

RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST

Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared. Rate items as follows:

+ Outstanding (exceeding excellent and deserving of special commendation).
E Excellent.
✓ Satisfactory (good or very good).
− Unsatisfactory.
O No opportunity to appraise performance during rating period.

Guide for determining adjective rating:

1. "Outstanding" adjective rating requires (A) that all rated elements be "+" and (B) that each and every rated element be factually justified by narrative detail on reverse of Form FD-185.
2. "Excellent," "Satisfactory" or "Unsatisfactory" adjective ratings will depend upon the composite result of evaluating all rated elements rather than following any mechanical formulas; however, for an employee to be rated "Excellent" he must not be rated unsatisfactory on any performance evaluation factors on the rating guide and check-list and must be rated "Excellent" or "Outstanding" on the majority of such rating factors. Good judgment must be exercised to insure that adjective rating is reasonable in the light of elements rated.
   A. Any element rated "Unsatisfactory" must be supported by narrative comments.
   B. An "official" adjective rating of "Unsatisfactory" must comply with the requirements described on the reverse of form FD-185.

+ (1) Personal appearance.
+ (2) Personality and effectiveness of his personal contacts.
+ (3) Attitude (including dependability, cooperativeness, loyalty, enthusiasm, amenability and willingness to equitably share work load).
+ (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina).
+ (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity.
+ (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required.
+ (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions, ability to define objectives.
+ (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility.
+ (9) Planning ability and its application to the work.
E (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail.
+ (11) Industry, including energetic, consistent application to duties.
+ (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control.
+ (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and "know how" of application.
O (14) Technical or mechanical skills.
O (15) Investigative ability and results:
   O (a) Internal security cases
   O (b) *Criminal or general investigative cases*
   O (c) Fugitive cases
   O (d) Applicant cases
   O (e) Accounting cases
O (16) Physical surveillance ability.
✓ (17) Firearms ability.
O (18) Development of informants and sources of information.
+ (19) Reporting ability:
   O (a) Investigative reports
   O (b) Summary reports
   + (c) Memos, letters, wires
   (Consider: + conciseness; + clarity; + organization; + thoroughness; + accuracy; + adequacy and pertinency of leads; + administrative detail.)
O (20) Performance as a witness.
+ (21) Executive ability:
   + (a) Leadership
   + (b) Ability to handle personnel
   + (c) Planning
   + (d) Making decisions
   + (e) Assignment of work
   + (f) Training subordinates
   + (g) Devising procedures
   + (h) Emotional stability
   + (i) Promoting high morale
   + (j) Getting results
+ (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments:
   + (a) As leader
   + (b) As participant
+ (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement.
+ (24) Ability to work under pressure.
+ (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate:
   + Dictation ability

A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as Resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.): **Section Chief**

B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker): **Administrator**

C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? **Yes** (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)
(2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? **Yes** (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)

D. 1. Has employee had an abnormal sick leave record during rating period? **No** 2. Has employee used more sick leave (including annual leave or LWOP for illness) during rating period than the amount of sick leave earned during such period? **No** (If answer to either question is "Yes," explain in narrative comments.)

E. Is employee qualified to operate a motor vehicle incidental to his official duties? [x] Yes [ ] No
If answer is "yes," personnel file must reflect the following: (a) Has valid State or local operator's license for type vehicle he is to use. (b) Is physically fit to drive. (c) Past safe driving record OK or has passed Bureau road test.

ADJECTIVE RATING: **EXCELLENT** (Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory) EMPLOYEE'S INITIALS W a B

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WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
SECTION CHIEF - ESPIONAGE SECTION
EOD BUREAU 7-14-41

During the entire rating period Mr. Branigan has been Section Chief of the Espionage Section which handles intelligence and espionage investigations of the Soviet Union and certain other Sovit bloc nations. He has an outstanding knowledge of espionage matters from long work in this field and this extensive background information is a tremendous asset in handling the intricate problems of Soviet espionage. He has directed his Section's activities in this most complicated field in an outstanding manner.

Mr. Branigan is always extremely well groomed, is an excellent conversationalist, presents a most favorable appearance, has an outstanding personality and is in all respects an impressive Bureau representative. He is enthusiastic, a hard worker and his native ability, added to his experience and desire, makes him fully capable of handling or directing the most complicated work in the Bureau's jurisdiction. He is fully qualified to participate in or lead raids and other dangerous assignments.

During this rating period Mr. Branigan was commended by letter dated 5-24-60 for his excellent supervision of a special project. He displayed splendid leadership, intelligence and judgment in seeing that a detailed document was prepared in an extremely short period of time. By letter dated 11-25-60 he was commended for his excellent supervision of a highly confidential source of great value to the Bureau.

Soviet bloc intelligence activities are ever changing, capitalizing on situations that arise throughout the world. As a result of initiative, loyal and conscientious effort, Mr. Branigan has directed his Section most capably in meeting the challenge faced by the Bureau in this field. His Section has devised new programs, new methods, and has been very successful in developing extremely valuable data for the Bureau.

Mr. Branigan is completely available for assignment wherever his services may be needed and can be counted on for a top performance in any assignment given him. He is an entirely loyal, capable and enthusiastic Bureau representative whose work during this period definitely warrants the rating of EXCELLENT.

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PART II - SPECIFIC COMMENTS

1. Justification for any Minus Ratings Given:

   Not applicable

2. Experience and Ability as Inspector's Aide:

   While trained as an Inspector's Aide, Mr. Branigan has not been assigned as such. However, in his work as Section Chief he has received training along inspection lines.

3. Participation in Informant Programs:

   Mr. Branigan has effectively supervised programs with regard to overall informant coverage in intelligence and espionage matters.

4. Testifying Experience and Ability:

   Not applicable

5. Disciplinary Action:

   Not applicable

6. Accounting Information:

   Not applicable

7. Police Instruction:

   Not applicable

8. Sound Training:

   Not applicable

9. Resident Agents:

   Not applicable

10. Foreign Language Ability: Not applicable

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11. Administrative Advancement:

a. Agent is interested in administrative advancement - Yes x
No ___

b. Agent is completely available for administrative advancement - Yes x
No ___

c. Agent is considered completely qualified at present for administrative advancement including experience, ability, personality and appearance- Yes x
No ___

d. His qualifications for administrative advancement are considered to be (answered only if answer to "c" is "Yes") - Very Good ___
Excellent ___
Outstanding x

e. Agent has potential for future administrative advancement (answered only if answer to "c" is "No") - Yes ___
No ___

TJCB.

July 14, 1961

PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Branigan:

Today is your Twentieth Anniversary of service in the Federal Bureau of Investigation. I wish to extend my sincere congratulations to you on this important occasion and, in addition, I take great pleasure in presenting to you the enclosed Twenty-Year Service Award Key. It is my sincere hope that you will derive a well-deserved feeling of pride in wearing this Key as a token of the Bureau's appreciation of these years of loyal devotion to your job.

You have had extensive experience in a number of varied assignments and your performance has constituted a substantial contribution to the Bureau's discharge of its heavy responsibilities. You have had an excellent opportunity to realize some of the tremendous problems which daily face our organization and it is indeed gratifying to note how conscientiously and efficiently you have carried out your assignments in the important position you now occupy as Chief of the Espionage Section of the Domestic Intelligence Division. The loyalty, devotion to duty, interest, enthusiasm and competence which you have manifested for such a long period are deeply appreciated by me.

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I trust the Bureau will have the benefit of your valuable services for many years to come.

With best wishes and kind regards,

Sincerely,

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Malone
Rosen
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W.C. Sullivan
Tele. Room
Ingram
Gandy

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Enclosure
1 - Mr. Sullivan (Personal)
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(4) 67-219505

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OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : **Mr. Callahan** DATE: **7-14-61**

FROM : **C. R. Davidson**

SUBJECT: **SA WILLIAM A. O'BRANIGAN**
Section Chief - Espionage Section
Domestic Intelligence Division
EOD 7-14-41; GS-16, $15,515

This is a brief summary of Mr. Branigan's record for the Director's use.

Mr. Branigan entered on duty 7-14-41, as a Special Agent and is presently assigned to the Domestic Intelligence Division as Section Chief of the Espionage Section. He is in Grade GS-16, $15,515 per annum, is 45 years of age, is married, and has five children.

Mr. Branigan was rated EXCELLENT on his 1961 Annual Performance Report and comments were that he was an enthusiastic, hard worker who was fully capable of handling or directing the most complicated work in the Bureau's jurisdiction. He had directed his Section most capably and his Section had devised new programs, new methods, and had been very successful in developing extremely valuable data for the Bureau. He was completely available for any assignment and he was interested in, available for, and had outstanding qualifications for administrative advancement.

He has been COMMENDED on numerous occasions, the last being on 11-25-60, for his excellent supervision at the Seat of Government relative to the development of a highly confidential source of great value to the Bureau in the security field. He has not been recently CENSURED.

The Director saw him on 6-15-60, when he called to express his appreciation for his promotion to Grade GS-16. The Director stated he made a good, substantial appearance, seemed to be sincere in his work and rated him above average.

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By letter dated 7-14-60, the Director CONGRATULATED him on his Nineteenth Anniversary in the Bureau.

Mr. Branigan has exceeded the Division and Section average each of the past five months and his daily average overtime for this period is as follows: December, 1960, 2 hours 31 minutes; January, 1961, 3 hours 6 minutes; February, 2 hours 55 minutes; March, 2 hours 31 minutes; April, 2 hours 47 minutes; May, 2 hours 47 minutes. He is within the desirable weight limits.

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RE: SA WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
Domestic Intelligence Division

In his capacity of Section Chief of the Espionage Section he has 25 Special Agent Supervisors who handle espionage matters, including Double Agents, Contacts and special espionage cases.

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TO : **Mr. Callahan**

DATE: **July 14, 1961**

FROM : **C. R. Davidson**

SUBJECT: **SA WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN**
Section Chief - Espionage Section
Domestic Intelligence Division
EOD 7-14-41; GS-16; $15,515

By memorandum dated 7-14-61 a brief summary of the record of Mr. Branigan was furnished for use of the Director.

The Director has inquired as to why the fact that today, 7-14-61, was the Twentieth Anniversary of Bureau service for Mr. Branigan was not set forth in the summary memorandum of his record. The briefer who prepared this summary was [redacted] During the course of preparation she noticed this was Mr. Branigan's Twentieth Anniversary and inquired of the clerical supervisor of the Briefing Unit as to whether this fact should be specifically set out in the summary. The clerical supervisor, [redacted] was aware of this Twentieth Anniversary and assumed that this summary was being prepared for the Director in connection therewith, possibly based on a request by Mr. Branigan. Accordingly, she did not consider that it was necessary to specifically highlight this fact in the summary memorandum and issued instructions to this effect.

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In future instances, specific mention will be made in the summary memoranda of any noteworthy occasions such as this anniversary. It is regretted that this was not done in this particular instance.

RECOMMENDATION:

None. For information.

Most certainly.

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PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

FBI
RECD-READING ROOM
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Dear Mr. Branigan:

It is a pleasure to commend you for your splendid supervision at the Seat of Government in connection with the development of a confidential source of much value to the Bureau in the security field.

This was an outstanding accomplishment on the part of the FBI and you should be justifiably proud of the important role you played in the success achieved. You demonstrated superior leadership and judgment in discharging your responsibilities and I do not want the opportunity to pass without letting you know of my appreciation.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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COMM-FBI

1 - Mr. Sullivan (Personal Attention)
Re: [redacted] Espionage-R

1 - [redacted] (Sent Direct)

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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

October 4, 1961

I certify that I have received the following Government property for official use:

Key to 6th & 8th Floors, Riddell Building

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READ

The Government property which you hereby acknowledge is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care of it and returning it when its use has been completed. DO NOT MARK OR WRITE UNIT OR MUTILATE IT IN ANY WAY.

RECORDED

Very truly yours,

(Written Signature) W. A. Branigan

(Typed Signature) **William A. Branigan**

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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

October 3, 1961

I certify that I have received the following Government property for official use:

2 keys to Room 643 Riddell Building

These keys are separate from master keys

FILE
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The Government property which you hereby acknowledge is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care of it and returning it when its use has been completed. DO NOT MARK OR WRITE ON IT OR MUTILATE IT IN ANY WAY.

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Very truly yours,

(Written Signature) W. A. Branigan

(Typed Signature) **William A. Branigan**

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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

August 18, 1961

I certify that I have ~~received~~ returned the following Government property for official use:

Key to Room 2712
Key to Room 2714

FILE
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READ

The Government property which you hereby acknowledge is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care of it and returning it when its use has been completed. DO NOT MARK OR WRITE ON IT OR MUTILATE IT IN ANY WAY.

Very truly yours,

(Written Signature) W. A. Branigan

(Typed Signature) William A. Branigan

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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

August 21, 1961

I certify that I have ~~received~~ returned the following Government property for official use:

Master Key, First Floor, Justice Building
Master Key, Second Floor, Justice Building

FILE
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READ

The Government property which you hereby acknowledge is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care of it and returning it when its use has been completed. DO NOT MARK OR WRITE ON IT OR MUTILATE IT IN ANY WAY.

Very truly yours,

(Written Signature) William A. Branigan

(Typed Signature) William A. Branigan

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.
AUG 7 1961

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

RE: SA **William A. Branigan**
(Type or print plainly)

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of $10, payable to the Assistant Director, Administrative Division, FBI, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for a continuous period of two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Assistant Director of the Administrative Division of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Assistant Director of the Administrative Division, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $10,000. The liability of the fund shall not under any circumstances exceed the amount of monies in the fund at the time any liability shall occur. The following person is designated as my beneficiary for FBI Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name	Relationship	Date
Lois Hallenbeck Branigan	**Wife**	**7/24/61**

Address **2317 N. Kentucky Street, Arlington, Virginia**

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing $1500 death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in the line of duty, other than travel accidents.

Name	Relationship	Date
Lois Hallenbeck Branigan	**Wife**	**7/24/61**

Address **2317 N. Kentucky Street, Arlington, Virginia**

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Very truly yours,

William A. Branigan 3-mkt

Special Agent

Standard Form 88
(Rev. June 1956)

REPORT OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION

F.B.I.

1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME	2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION	IDENTIFICATION NO.
BRANIGAN William Aloysius	SPECIAL ACT.	

4. HOME ADDRESS (Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State)	5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION	6. DATE OF EXAMINATION
	ANNUAL	1-12-62

7. SEX	8. RACE	9. TOTAL YEARS GOVERNMENT SERVICE		10. AGENCY	11. ORGANIZATION UNIT
		MILITARY	CIVILIAN		
M	WHITE				

12. DATE OF BIRTH	13. PLACE OF BIRTH	14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
3-23-16	ALBANY N.Y	

15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS	16. OTHER INFORMATION
NNMC	

17. RATING OR SPECIALTY	TIME IN THIS CAPACITY (Total)	LAST SIX MONTHS

CLINICAL EVALUATION

NORMAL	(Check each item in appropriate column; enter "NE" if not evaluated.)	ABNORMAL
	18. HEAD, FACE, NECK, AND SCALP	
	19. NOSE	
	20. SINUSES	
	21. MOUTH AND THROAT	
	22. EARS—GENERAL (Int. & ext. canals) (Auditory acuity under items 70 and 71)	
	23. DRUMS (Perforation)	
	24. EYES—GENERAL (Visual acuity and refraction under items 59, 60 and 67)	
NE	25. OPHTHALMOSCOPIC	
	26. PUPILS (Equality and reaction)	
	27. OCULAR MOTILITY (Associated parallel movements, nystagmus)	
	28. LUNGS AND CHEST (Include breasts)	
	29. HEART (Thrust, size, rhythm, sounds)	
	30. VASCULAR SYSTEM (Varicosities, etc.)	
	31. ABDOMEN AND VISCERA (Include hernia)	
	32. ANUS AND RECTUM (Hemorrhoids, fistulae) (Prostate, if indicated) → Prostate normal	
	33. ENDOCRINE SYSTEM	
	34. G-U SYSTEM	
	35. UPPER EXTREMITIES (Strength, range of motion) REC-145	
	36. FEET	
	37. LOWER EXTREMITIES (Except feet) (Strength, range of motion) 2 ENCLOSURE ltd	
	38. SPINE, OTHER MUSCULOSKELETAL	
	39. IDENTIFYING BODY MARKS, SCARS, TATTOOS	
	40. SKIN, LYMPHATICS	
	41. NEUROLOGIC (Equilibrium tests under item 72)	
	42. PSYCHIATRIC (Specify any personality deviation)	
	43. PELVIC (Females only) (Check how done) ☐ VAGINAL ☐ RECTAL	

NOTES. (Describe every abnormality in detail. Enter pertinent item number before each comment. Continue in item 73 and use additional sheets if necessary.)

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(Continue in item 73)

44. DENTAL (Place appropriate symbols above or below number of upper and lower teeth, respectively.)

o—Restorable teeth
/—Nonrestorable teeth
X—Missing teeth
XXX—Replaced by dentures
(6 X 8)—Fixed bridge, brackets to include abutments

RIGHT	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	LEFT
	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	

REMARKS AND ADDITIONAL DENTAL DEFECTS AND DISEASES

caries as noted
no missing teeth

LABORATORY FINDINGS

45. URINALYSIS: A. SPECIFIC GRAVITY	1.026	46. CHEST X-RAY (Place, date, film number and result)
B. ALBUMIN	Neg. D. MICROSCOPIC	4839-62 Essentially normal and
C. SUGAR	Neg.	unchanged from previous films.
47. SEROLOGY (Specify test used and result)	48. EKG	49. BLOOD TYPE AND RH FACTOR
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[redacted]

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MEASUREMENTS AND OTHER FINDINGS

51. HEIGHT	52. WEIGHT	53. COLOR HAIR	54. COLOR EYES	55. BUILD: ☐ SLENDER ☐ MEDIUM ☒ HEAVY ☐ OBESE	56. TEMPERATURE
71	162	Brown	Brown		98

57. BLOOD PRESSURE (*Arm at heart level*)

A. SITTING	SYS. 140 / DIAS. 76	B. RECUMBENT	SYS. / DIAS.	C. STANDING (5 min.)	SYS. / DIAS.

58. PULSE (*Arm at heart level*)

A. SITTING	B. AFTER EXERCISE	C. 2 MIN. AFTER	D. RECUMBENT	E. AFTER STANDING 3 MIN.

59. DISTANT VISION	60. REFRACTION	61. 75 M NEAR VISION
RIGHT 20/ 30 CORR. TO 20/ 20	BY Lens S. OX	20/ 4 CORR. TO BY
LEFT 20/ 30 CORR. TO 20/ 20	BY Lens S. OX	20/ 4 CORR. TO BY

62. HETEROPHORIA (*Specify distance*)

ES° EX° R. H. L. H. PRISM DIV. PRISM CONV. CT PC PD

63. ACCOMMODATION	64. COLOR VISION (*Test used and result*)	65. DEPTH PERCEPTION (*Test used and score*)	UNCORRECTED
RIGHT LEFT	AOC-1940 18/18		CORRECTED
66. FIELD OF VISION	**67. NIGHT VISION (*Test used and score*)**	**68. RED LENS TEST**	**69. INTRAOCULAR TENSION**
			RE LE

70. HEARING

RIGHT WV 15 /15 SV 15 /15

LEFT WV 15 /15 SV 15 /15

71. AUDIOMETER

	250 256	500 512	1000 1024	2000 2048	3000 2896	4000 4096	6000 6144	8000 8192
RIGHT								
LEFT								

72. PSYCHOLOGICAL AND PSYCHOMOTOR (*Tests used and score*)

73. NOTES (*Continued*) AND SIGNIFICANT OR INTERVAL HISTORY

(*Use additional sheets if necessary*)

74. SUMMARY OF DEFECTS AND DIAGNOSES (*List diagnoses with item numbers*)

75. RECOMMENDATIONS—FURTHER SPECIALIST EXAMINATIONS INDICATED (*Specify*)

76. A. PHYSICAL PROFILE

P	U	L	H	E	S

77. EXAMINEE (*Check*)

A. ☒ IS QUALIFIED FOR
B. ☐ IS NOT QUALIFIED FOR

B. PHYSICAL CATEGORY

78. IF NOT QUALIFIED, LIST DISQUALIFYING DEFECTS BY ITEM NUMBER

A	B	C	E

79. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN	SIGNATURE G. R. McFadden
80. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN	**SIGNATURE**
81. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF DENTIST OR PHYSICIAN (*Indicate which*)	**SIGNATURE**
82. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF REVIEWING OFFICER OR APPROVING AUTHORITY	**SIGNATURE**

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Standard Form 89
(Rev. Aug. 1950)
BUREAU OF THE BUDGET
CIRCULAR A-32

REPORT OF MEDICAL HISTORY

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F.B.I.

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1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME	2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION	IDENTIFICATION NO.
BRANIGAN, WILLIAM ALOYSIUS	SPECIAL AGENT	

4. HOME ADDRESS (*Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State*)	5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION	6. DATE OF EXAMINATION
2317 NO. KENTUCKY ST. ARLINGTON 5, VA.	ANNUAL	1-12-62

7. SEX	8. RACE	9. TOTAL YEARS GOVERNMENT SERVICE		10. AGENCY	11. ORGANIZATION UNIT
		MILITARY	CIVILIAN		
MALE	WHITE				

12. DATE OF BIRTH	13. PLACE OF BIRTH	14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
3-23-16	ALBANY, NEW YORK	

15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS	16. OTHER INFORMATION

17. STATEMENT OF EXAMINEE'S PRESENT HEALTH IN OWN WORDS. *(Follow by description of past history, if complaint exists)*

EXCELLENT

18. FAMILY HISTORY

RELATION	AGE	STATE OF HEALTH	IF DEAD, CAUSE OF DEATH	AGE AT DEATH
FATHER	[redacted]		CORONARY	81
MOTHER	85	GOOD		
SPOUSE	43	GOOD		
BROTHERS AND SISTERS	47	GOOD		
	41	GOOD		
CHILDREN	18	EXCELLENT		
	13	GOOD		
	9	GOOD		
	7	EXCELLENT		
	3	EXCELLENT		

19. HAS ANY BLOOD RELATION (*Parent, brother, sister, other*) OR HUSBAND OR WIFE:

YES	NO	(*Check each item*)	RELATION(S)
	✓	HAD TUBERCULOSIS	
	✓	HAD SYPHILIS	
	✓	HAD DIABETES	
✓		HAD CANCER	MOTHER
		HAD KIDNEY TROUBLE	
	✓	HAD HEART TROUBLE	
	✓	HAD STOMACH TROUBLE	
✓		HAD RHEUMATISM (*Arthritis*)	MOTHER
	✓	HAD ASTHMA, HAY FEVER, HIVES	
	✓	HAD EPILEPSY (*Fits*)	
	✓	COMMITTED SUICIDE	
	✓	BEEN INSANE	

20. HAVE YOU EVER HAD OR HAVE YOU NOW? (*Place check at left of each item*)

YES	NO	(*Check each item*)	YES	NO	(*Check each item*)	YES	NO	(*Check each item*)	YES	NO	(*Check each item*)
✓		SCARLET FEVER, ERYSIPELAS		✓	GOITER		✓	TUMOR, GROWTH, CYST, CANCER		✓	"TRICK" OR LOCKED KNEE
	✓	DIPHTHERIA		✓	TUBERCULOSIS		✓	RUPTURE		✓	FOOT TROUBLE
	✓	RHEUMATIC FEVER		✓	SOAKING SWEATS (*Night sweats*)	✓		APPENDICITIS		✓	NEURITIS
	✓	SWOLLEN OR PAINFUL JOINTS		✓	ASTHMA	✓		PILES OR RECTAL DISEASE		✓	PARALYSIS (*Inc. infantile*)
✓		MUMPS		✓	SHORTNESS OF BREATH		✓	FREQUENT OR PAINFUL URINATION		✓	EPILEPSY OR FITS
✓		WHOOPING COUGH		✓	PAIN OR PRESSURE IN CHEST		✓	KIDNEY STONE OR BLOOD IN URINE		✓	CAR, TRAIN, SEA, OR AIR SICKNESS
	✓	FREQUENT OR SEVERE HEADACHE		✓	CHRONIC COUGH		✓	SUGAR OR ALBUMIN IN URINE		✓	FREQUENT TROUBLE SLEEPING
	✓	DIZZINESS OR FAINTING SPELLS		✓	PALPITATION OR POUNDING HEART		✓	BOILS		✓	FREQUENT OR TERRIFYING NIGHTMARES
	✓	EYE TROUBLE		✓	HIGH OR LOW BLOOD PRESSURE		✓	VENEREAL DISEASE		✓	DEPRESSION OR EXCESSIVE WORRY
	✓	EAR, NOSE OR THROAT TROUBLE		✓	CRAMPS IN YOUR LEGS		✓	RECENT GAIN OR LOSS OF WEIGHT		✓	LOSS OF MEMORY OR AMNESIA
	✓	RUNNING EARS		✓	FREQUENT INDIGESTION		✓	ARTHRITIS OR RHEUMATISM		✓	BED WETTING
	✓	CHRONIC OR FREQUENT COLDS		✓	STOMACH, LIVER OR INTESTINAL TROUBLE		✓	BONE, JOINT, OR OTHER DEFORMITY		✓	NERVOUS TROUBLE OF ANY SORT
	✓	SEVERE TOOTH OR GUM TROUBLE		✓	GALL BLADDER TROUBLE OR GALL STONES		✓	LAMENESS		✓	ANY DRUG OR NARCOTIC HABIT
✓		SINUSITIS		✓	JAUNDICE		✓	LOSS OF ARM, LEG, FINGER, OR TOE		✓	EXCESSIVE DRINKING HABIT
	✓	HAY FEVER		✓	ANY REACTION TO SERUM, DRUG OR MEDICINE		✓	PAINFUL OR "TRICK" SHOULDER OR ELBOW		✓	HOMOSEXUAL TENDENCIES

21. HAVE YOU EVER (*Check each item*)					
✓		WORN GLASSES		✓	ATTEMPTED SUICIDE
	✓	WORN AN ARTIFICIAL EYE		✓	BEEN A SLEEP WALKER
	✓	WORN HEARING AIDS		✓	LIVED WITH ANYONE WHO HAD TUBERCULOSIS
	✓	STUTTERED OR STAMMERED		✓	COUGHED UP BLOOD
	✓	WORN A BRACE OR BACK SUPPORT		✓	BLED EXCESSIVELY AFTER INJURY OR TOOTH EXTRACTION

22. FEMALES ONLY: A. HAVE YOU EVER—		B. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:
		BEEN PREGNANT
		HAD A VAGINAL DISCHARGE
		BEEN TREATED FOR A FEMALE DISORDER
		HAD PAINFUL MENSTRUATION
		HAD IRREGULAR MENSTRUATION

AGE AT ONSET OF MENSTRUATION
INTERVAL BETWEEN PERIODS
DURATION OF PERIODS
DATE OF LAST PERIOD
QUANTITY: ☐ NORMAL ☐ EXCESSIVE ☐ SCANTY

23. HOW MANY JOBS HAVE YOU HAD IN THE PAST THREE YEARS?	24. WHAT IS THE LONGEST PERIOD YOU HELD ANY OF THESE JOBS?	25. WHAT IS YOUR USUAL OCCUPATION?	26. ARE YOU (*Check one*)
1	MONTHS 20 yrs	SP. AGT - FBI	☐ RIGHT HANDED ☒ LEFT HANDED

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YES	NO	CHECK EACH ITEM YES OR NO. EVERY ITEM CHECKED "YES" MUST BE FULLY EXPLAINED IN BLANK SPACE ON RIGHT	
	✓	27. HAVE YOU BEEN UNABLE TO HOLD A JOB BECAUSE OF: A. SENSITIVITY TO CHEMICALS, DUST, SUNLIGHT, ETC.	
	✓	B. INABILITY TO PERFORM CERTAIN MOTIONS	
	✓	C. INABILITY TO ASSUME CERTAIN POSITIONS	
	✓	D. OTHER MEDICAL REASONS (*If yes, give reasons*)	
	✓	28. HAVE YOU EVER WORKED WITH RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCE?	
	✓	29. DID YOU HAVE DIFFICULTY WITH SCHOOL STUDIES OR TEACHERS? (*If yes, give details*)	
	✓	30. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REFUSED EMPLOYMENT BECAUSE OF YOUR HEALTH? (*If yes, state reason and give details*)	
	✓	31. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DENIED LIFE INSURANCE? (*If yes, state reason and give details*)	
✓		32. HAVE YOU HAD, OR HAVE YOU BEEN ADVISED TO HAVE, ANY OPERATIONS? (*If yes, describe and give age at which occurred*)	APPENDECTOMY AGE 33
	✓	33. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN A PATIENT (*committed or voluntary*) IN A MENTAL HOSPITAL OR SANATORIUM? (*If yes, specify when, where, why, and name of doctor, and complete address of hospital or clinic*)	
	✓	34. HAVE YOU EVER HAD ANY ILLNESS OR INJURY OTHER THAN THOSE ALREADY NOTED? (*If yes, specify when, where, and give details*)	
	✓	35. HAVE YOU CONSULTED OR BEEN TREATED BY CLINICS, PHYSICIANS, HEALERS, OR OTHER PRACTITIONERS WITHIN THE PAST 5 YEARS? (*If yes, give complete address of doctor, hospital, clinic, and details*)	
	✓	36. HAVE YOU TREATED YOURSELF FOR ILLNESSES OTHER THAN MINOR COLDS? (*If yes, which illnesses*)	
	✓	37. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REJECTED FOR MILITARY SERVICE BECAUSE OF PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR OTHER REASONS? (*If yes, give date and reason for rejection*)	
	✓	38. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DISCHARGED FROM MILITARY SERVICE BECAUSE OF PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR OTHER REASONS? (*If yes, give date, reason, and type of discharge: whether honorable, other than honorable, for unfitness or unsuitability*)	
	✓	39. HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED, IS THERE PENDING, HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR, OR DO YOU INTEND TO APPLY FOR PENSION OR COMPENSATION FOR EXISTING DISABILITY? (*If yes, specify what kind, granted by whom, and what amount, when, why*)	

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE REVIEWED THE FOREGOING INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY ME AND THAT IT IS TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.
I AUTHORIZE ANY OF THE DOCTORS, HOSPITALS, OR CLINICS MENTIONED ABOVE TO FURNISH THE GOVERNMENT A COMPLETE TRANSCRIPT OF MY MEDICAL RECORD FOR PURPOSES OF PROCESSING MY APPLICATION FOR THIS EMPLOYMENT OR SERVICE.

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF EXAMINEE	SIGNATURE
✓ WILLIAM A. BRANICAN	✓ William A. Branigan

40. PHYSICIAN'S SUMMARY AND ELABORATION OF ALL PERTINENT DATA (*Physician shall comment on all positive answers in items 20 thru 39*)

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN OR EXAMINER	DATE	SIGNATURE	NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS
		J. R. M Radden	

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Attachment to Standard Form 88, Report of Medical Examination
For Information and Guidance of Medical Examiner

Name of Examinee (*Type or print*) O'RANIGAN (*Last*) WILLIAM (*First*) ALOYSIUS (*Middle*)

The following portions of the attached examination report form need not be completed:

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3	65
4	67
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11	69
14	72
17	76

46. Is necessary unless facilities for affording same are not readily available.

48. Not required unless examinee is over 35 years of age or examination indicates such is desirable.

49. Is necessary unless facilities for affording same are not readily available.

71. Audiometer examinations should be afforded whenever possible.

For All Examinees, Whether Clerical or Special Agent Applicants or Employees:

The medical examiner should answer the following question:

Examinee ☒ is ☐ is not qualified for strenuous physical exertion.

To be Answered in the Case of All Male Employees and Male Applicants:

1. Does examinee have any defects restricting or prohibiting his participation in defensive tactics and dangerous assignments which might entail the practical use of firearms?

☒ No ☐ Yes If "yes" please specify defects. _____

2. Does examinee have any defects prohibiting safe operation of motor vehicles?

☒ No ☐ Yes If "yes" please specify defects. _____

If examinee has defective vision, should he wear corrective glasses while operating a motor vehicle? ☐ Yes ☐ No

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Desirable Weight Ranges for Males

Height	Small Frame	Medium Frame	Large Frame
5' 4"	117 - 125	123 - 135	131 - 148
5' 5"	120 - 129	126 - 139	134 - 152
5' 6"	124 - 133	130 - 143	138 - 157
5' 7"	128 - 137	134 - 148	143 - 162
5' 8"	132 - 141	138 - 152	147 - 166
5' 9"	136 - 146	142 - 156	151 - 170
5' 10"	140 - 150	146 - 161	155 - 175
5' 11"	144 - 154	150 - 166	160 - 180
6'	148 - 158	154 - 171	164 - 185
6' 1"	152 - 163	158 - 176	169 - 190
6' 2"	156 - 167	163 - 181	174 - 195
6' 3"	160 - 171	168 - 186	178 - 200
6' 4"	169 - 180	178 - 196	188 - 210
6' 5"	174 - 185	182 - 202	192 - 216

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3. Examinee's frame is ☐ small ☐ medium ☒ large

4. Considering above weight table, the examinee's frame, and other individual physical characteristics, I consider his present weight ☒ Satisfactory ☐ Excessive ☐ Deficient

5. Under proper medical supervision, examinee should ☐ lose _____ pounds
☐ gain _____ pounds

Remarks: _____

_____

G. R. McFadden
(Signature of Medical Examiner)

12 Jan 1962
(Date)

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1. Agency and organizational designations: FBI, U. S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE

2. Payroll period | 3. Block No. | 4. Slip No.

5. Employee's name (and social security account number when appropriate) SUPERVISORY SA #07804 MR. WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN (Chief of the Espionage Section)

6. Grade and salary GS 16 $15,775

PAYROLL CHANGE DATA

	BASE PAY	OVERTIME		GROSS PAY	RET.	FEDERAL TAX	BOND	F.I.C.A.	STATE TAX	GROUP LIFE INS.			NET PAY
7. Previous normal													
8. New normal													
9. Pay this period													

10. Remarks:

11. Appropriation(s)

12. Prepared by

13. Audited by

☒ Periodic step-increase ☐ Pay adjustment ☐ Other step-increase

14. Effective date	15. Date last equivalent increase	16. Old salary rate	17. New salary rate	18. Performance rating is satisfactory or better.
12-24-61	6-14-60	$15,515	$15,775	J. E. Hoover (Signature or other authentication)

19. LWOP data (Fill in appropriate spaces covering LWOP during following periods):
Period(s):
☒ No excess LWOP. Total excess LWOP

(Check applicable box in case of excess LWOP)
☐ In pay status at end of waiting period.
☐ In LWOP status at end of waiting period.

mbh Initials of Clerk

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Name: William A. Branigan

Title: Section Chief
Espionage Section

EOD: 7-14-41

Grade: GS-16, $15,515

Nonveteran

Not on probation

Not on limited duty

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SULLIVAN: Mr. Branigan has been Chief of the Espionage Section since 10-23-51. This Section has the responsibility for the supervision of espionage and intelligence investigations (U) involving the Soviet Union and most of the satellite countries. Prior to Branigan's assignment at the Seat of Government he had considerable experience in investigating involved espionage and intelligence matters and he has an outstanding knowledge of espionage work. He is very enthusiastic and energetic, is a hard worker and makes a fine appearance and impression. He has shown initiative and ingenuity as a section chief, handling extremely complicated matters. Since the last performance rating, Mr. Branigan has not been censured and received one letter of commendation, 11-8-61, for his splendid supervision in connection with the development of a confidential source.

Rating: Excellent

INSPECTOR J. T. HAVERTY: (JTH:wmj 12/22/61) Inspector concurs in comments of Assistant Director Sullivan. Mr. Branigan is a well-groomed Agent who makes a very good personal appearance and has an excellent personality. He is a capable administrator and has an excellent knowledge of his supervisory duties. He is within desirable weight limits and equitably shares the work load. He is available for administrative advancement for which his potential is rated as very good.

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OFFICE	MO./YR.	HS	PPC	SG	.30	MG	GAS	RD		IR	QUALIFIED
SOG make up	3/18-59								207		
"	3/18-59								189		
"	5/4	88	90	60			✓	DT			
" 6/22/59		88	70	16				DT ✓			
"	8-18/59	86	79	60				DT/S			
"	10-16/59	92	70	15				DT/BA			
" In-Svc 17	11/59	92	90	14	—	74		DT	IS		
"	12-10/59								220		
SOG	3-14/60								177/184		
"	6-29/60	92	70	#2 16				✓	DTS		
"	9-7/60	88	78	#3 60				DT	S		
"	9-7/60	90	76	15 JL make-up				DT			
"	11-15/60	92	73	#2 18				"			
~~SOG~~	~~11-28/60~~	~~SA 90~~	~~SA 81~~	~~#3 80~~				✓	~~DT~~		
SOG	4-26/61								223/230		
SOG	4-26/61	90	SA 81	#3 80				✓	DT		
SOG	6-20/61	92	78	15			✓	DT		220/240	
SOG	8/28/61	90	81	80				DT			
SOG	10/18/61	96	76	18				DT	BA		

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REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

Name of Employee: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

Where Assigned: Domestic Intelligence (Division) Espionage (Section, Unit)

Official Position Title: Supervisory Special Agent (Section Chief) GS-16

Rating Period: from April 1, 1961 to March 31, 1962

ADJECTIVE RATING: OUTSTANDING
Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

Employee's Initials

Rated by:	Donald E. Moore Signature	Inspector Title	4-4-62 Date
Reviewed by:	William A. Branigan Signature	Assistant Director Title	4-4-62 Date
Rating Approved by:	[signature] Signature	Assistant to the Director Title	4-19-62 Date

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TYPE OF REPORT

(x) Official
(x) Annual

( ) Administrative
( ) 60-Day
( ) 90-Day
( ) Transfer
( ) Separation from Service
( ) Special

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NARRATIVE COMMENTS

Note: The regulations require that OUTSTANDING ratings be supported by a statement in writing setting forth IN DETAIL the performance IN EVERY ASPECT and the REASONS for considering each worthy of SPECIAL COMMENDATION.
UNSATISFACTORY ratings must be supported by a statement in writing stating (1) WHEREIN the performance is unsatisfactory, (2) the facts of the (90 day) PRIOR WARNING, and (3) the efforts made AFTER THE WARNING TO HELP the employee bring his performance up to a satisfactory level.

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PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD-185)

Name of Employee WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN Title Supervisory Special Agent (Section Chief) GS-16

Rating Period: from 4-1-61 to 3-31-62

RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST

Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared. Rate items as follows:

+ Outstanding (exceeding excellent and deserving of special commendation).
E Excellent.
✓ Satisfactory (good or very good).
− Unsatisfactory.
O No opportunity to appraise performance during rating period.

Guide for determining adjective rating:

1. "Outstanding" adjective rating requires (A) that all rated elements be "+" and (B) that each and every rated element be factually justified by narrative detail on reverse of Form FD-185.
2. "Excellent," "Satisfactory" or "Unsatisfactory" adjective ratings will depend upon the composite result of evaluating all rated elements rather than following any mechanical formulas; however, for an employee to be rated "Excellent" he must not be rated unsatisfactory on any performance evaluation factors on the rating guide and check-list and must be rated "Excellent" or "Outstanding" on the majority of such rating factors. Good judgment must be exercised to insure that adjective rating is reasonable in the light of elements rated.
   A. Any element rated "Unsatisfactory" must be supported by narrative comments.
   B. An "official" adjective rating of "Unsatisfactory" must comply with the requirements described on the reverse of form FD-185.

+ (1) Personal appearance.
+ (2) Personality and effectiveness of his personal contacts.
+ (3) Attitude (including dependability, cooperativeness, loyalty, enthusiasm, amenability and willingness to equitably share work load).
+ (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina).
+ (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity.
+ (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required.
+ (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions, ability to define objectives.
+ (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility.
+ (9) Planning ability and its application to the work.
+ (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail.
+ (11) Industry, including energetic, consistent application to duties.
+ (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control.
+ (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and "know how" of application.
O (14) Technical or mechanical skills.
O (15) Investigative ability and results:
   O (a) Internal security cases
   O (b) Criminal or general investigative cases
   O (c) Fugitive cases
   O (d) Applicant cases
   O (e) Accounting cases
O (16) Physical surveillance ability.
+ (17) Firearms ability.
O (18) Development of informants and sources of information.
+ (19) Reporting ability:
   O (a) Investigative reports
   O (b) Summary reports
   + (c) Memos, letters, wires
   (Consider: + conciseness; + clarity; + organization; + thoroughness; + accuracy; + adequacy and pertinency of leads; + administrative detail.)
O (20) Performance as a witness.
+ (21) Executive ability:
   + (a) Leadership
   + (b) Ability to handle personnel
   + (c) Planning
   + (d) Making decisions
   + (e) Assignment of work
   + (f) Training subordinates
   + (g) Devising procedures
   + (h) Emotional stability
   + (i) Promoting high morale
   + (j) Getting results
+ (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments:
   + (a) As leader
   + (b) As participant
+ (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement.
+ (24) Ability to work under pressure.
+ (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate:
   + Dictation ability

A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as Resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.): Section Chief

B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker): Administrator

C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)
(2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)

D. 1. Has employee had an abnormal sick leave record during rating period? No 2. Has employee used more sick leave (including annual leave or LWOP for illness) during rating period than the amount of sick leave earned during such period? No (If answer to either question is "Yes," explain in narrative comments.)

E. Is employee qualified to operate a motor vehicle incidental to his official duties? ☒ Yes ☐ No
If answer is "yes," personnel file must reflect the following: (a) Has valid State or local operator's license for type vehicle he is to use. (b) Is physically fit to drive. (c) Past safe driving record OK or has passed Bureau road test.

ADJECTIVE RATING: OUTSTANDING EMPLOYEE'S INITIALS
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WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
SECTION CHIEF
ESPIONAGE SECTION
EOD BUREAU 7-14-41

PART I ----- GENERAL COMMENTS

During the entire rating period Mr. Branigan has been Chief of the Espionage Section which supervises intelligence (U) and espionage investigations involving the Soviet Union and certain other Soviet bloc nations. (S) This is the most important work in our counterespionage field and the investigations are most complicated and involved.

Mr. Branigan is always extremely well groomed, presents a most impressive personal appearance, has an exceptionally fine personality and is very effective in his personal contacts as a Bureau representative. His attitude is outstanding in all respects and his dependability, loyalty, enthusiasm and willingness to do more than his share of the work are a shining example to others. He is in superb physical condition.

He has shown superior judgment, resourcefulness and ingenuity in meeting the complicated problems under his supervision, has shown an outstanding ability to exercise initiative and to plan ahead. He has an exceptional ability to put plans into action and to exercise the necessary forcefulness and aggressiveness to get things accomplished. He pays extreme attention to accuracy and personal detail and has shown superior industry and energy in supervising the work in his Section.

Mr. Branigan has an exceptionally fine knowledge of the espionage field and the supervision of intelligence and espionage investigations. He has shown an outstanding ability to combine this knowledge with the ability to produce an extremely large volume of most commendable work and utilize a bare minimum of time in so doing.

Communications and instructions dictated or prepared by Mr. Branigan are superior in quality in all respects and he has demonstrated an outstanding ability to lead his Section, see that the personnel are efficiently and properly trained, assigned, and then function as a unit with a high esprit de corps and with the steadfast objective of getting results. He has an exceptional organizational interest, the ability to work under extreme pressure and

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MR. WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

can be relied on in any emergency.

Mr. Branigan has done an outstanding job in a most difficult field countering all phases of Soviet bloc espionage. He has devised or assisted in devising many unique programs and investigative techniques which have proved of untold benefits to the FBI and to the security of the country. His efforts and supervision have been outstanding in the uncovering of Soviet illegal agent espionage activity during the rating period. By letter dated November 8, 1961 the Director commended him for the important role he played in the development of a confidential source of great value to the Bureau and commented that Mr. Branigan had demonstrated superior leadership and judgment in discharging his responsibilities.

Mr. Branigan is thoroughly capable of participating in or directing the most complicated investigative matters, participating in or leading raids and other dangerous assignments and could be relied on to perform in a superior manner. He is completely available for assignment wherever his services may be needed and has thoroughly justified a rating of OUTSTANDING.

PART II - SPECIFIC COMMENTS

1. JUSTIFICATION FOR ANY MINUS RATINGS GIVEN

Not applicable

2. EXPERIENCE AND ABILITY AS INSPECTOR'S AIDE

While trained as an Inspector's Aide, Mr. Branigan has not been assigned as such. However, in his work as Section Chief he has received training along inspection lines.

3. PARTICIPATION IN INFORMANT PROGRAMS

Mr. Branigan has effectively supervised programs with regard to overall informant coverage in intelligence and espionage matters.

4. TESTIFYING EXPERIENCE AND ABILITY

Not applicable

5. DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Not applicable

6. ACCOUNTING INFORMATION

Not applicable

7. POLICE INSTRUCTION

Not applicable

PART II - SPECIFIC COMMENTS (Continued)

8. SOUND TRAINING

Not applicable

9. RESIDENT AGENTS

Not applicable

10. FOREIGN LANGUAGE ABILITY - Not applicable

Language in which proficient _____.

Completed language school _____ Yes ☐ No ☐

Fluent in _____ language to extent Agent can handle typical investigative problems as follows:

1) conversation form - Yes ☐ No ☐

2) written form - Yes ☐ No ☐

(Evaluate language proficiency in each phase as Excellent, Very Good, Good, Fair or Unsatisfactory)

Name of Language	Read	Write	Speak	Understand

Frequency _____ language ability was used during the rating period:

11. ADMINISTRATIVE ADVANCEMENT:

a) Agent is interested in administrative advancement - Yes ☒ No ☐

b) Agent is completely available for administrative advancement - Yes ☒ No ☐

c) Agent is considered completely qualified at present for administrative advancement including experience, ability, personality and appearance - Yes ☒ No ☐

d) Consider qualifications very good _____, excellent _____, outstanding ___x___.

e) Agent has potential for future administrative advancement - Yes ☐ No ☐

The Deputy Attorney General

May 1, 1962

Director, FBI

OUTSTANDING PERFORMANCE RATINGS
Federal Bureau of Investigation

There are enclosed the annual performance ratings on the below-listed employees, covering the period from April 1, 1961, through March 31, 1962, wherein they have been given the adjective rating of Outstanding.

[redacted]
Wilfred L. Bergeron
Augustus K. Bowles III
Harold H. Boyce
William A. Branigan
[redacted]
William E. Clark
[redacted]
William V. Cleveland
[redacted]
Paul L. Cox
James E. Crawford
[redacted]
Jerome J. Daunt
C. Ray Davidson
[redacted]
Andrew J. Decker, Jr.
Harold W. Doak
Sterling B. Donahoe

Julian B. Engelstad
Joseph M. English, Jr.
Ramos C. Feehan
Leo J. Gauthier
Wilfred Goodwin
[redacted]
Albert P. Gunsser
Lawrence J. Heim
[redacted]
Clark E. Lovrien
James R. Malley
Thomas J. McAndrews
Clement L. McGowan, Jr.
Walter V. McLaughlin
Donald E. Moore
Christopher J. Moran
E. Hyatt Mossburg
Orson F. Myers, Jr.
[redacted]

[redacted]
Chester L. Rogers
Theron D. Rushing
Joseph A. Sizoo
Charles Q. Smith
Thomas G. Spencer
Charles H. Stanley
[redacted]
Roger W. Swartz
Howard E. Trent, Jr.
Eugene W. Walsh
[redacted]
Briggs J. White
Robert E. Wick
Marion E. Williams

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In accordance with existing requirements, these ratings are transmitted for final approval by the Efficiency Awards Committee of the Department. I would appreciate it if you would promptly advise me when these ratings have been approved, in order that they can be considered official. To facilitate such processing, my signature on the ratings or that of my assistant, Mr. Mohr, as approving officer will also serve as approval in my capacity as a member and Mr. Mohr as alternate member of the Efficiency Awards Committee.

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Copies prepared and attached for personnel files of the above.

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PAST SAFE DRIVING RECORD CERTIFICATION

TO BE FILLED IN BY OPERATOR

NAME OF OPERATOR (PRINT - LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL)	DATE
BRANIGAN, WILLIAM A.	5-9-62

DIVISION AND SECTION ASSIGNED	POSITION TITLE
ESPIONAGE - DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE	SPECIAL AGENT

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT I PRESENTLY ☒ HOLD ☐ DO NOT HOLD A VALID MOTOR VEHICLE OPERATOR'S PERMIT OR DRIVER'S LICENSE.

PERMIT ISSUED BY: (STATE, TERRITORY POSSESSION, DISTRICT)	PERMIT NUMBER	PERMIT EXPIRES
Virginia	3C 615018	3/31/63

THIS IS AN UNRESTRICTED ~~(RESTRICTED)~~ PERMIT. (IF RESTRICTED, EXPLAIN BELOW)
(STRIKE OUT ONE)

THIS FURTHER CERTIFIES THAT DURING THE PAST THREE YEARS I HAVE DRIVEN A MOTOR VEHICLE (GOVERNMENT OR PERSONALLY OWNED) APPROXIMATELY 30,000 MILES. DURING THIS TIME (A) I ☐ HAVE ☒ HAVE NOT RECEIVED A TRAFFIC VIOLATION TICKET; (B) I ☐ HAVE ☒ HAVE NOT BEEN HELD AT FAULT* AS THE DRIVER OF A MOTOR VEHICLE INVOLVED IN A TRAFFIC ACCIDENT. IF AFFIRMATIVE ANSWER, PLEASE EXPLAIN IN ADJACENT SPACE GIVING NUMBER AND DATES OF OFFENSES.

* "AT FAULT" MEANS ANY CASE IN WHICH RESPONSIBILITY IS CONCEDED BY EMPLOYEE OR HIS INSURANCE COMPANY OR LIABILITY IS FIXED BY DULY CONSTITUTED AUTHORITY.

William A. Branigan
SIGNATURE OF OPERATOR

TO BE FILLED IN BY REVIEWING OFFICIAL

NAME OF REVIEWING OFFICIAL (PRINT - LAST, FIRST, MIDDLE INITIAL)	POSITION TITLE	DATE
DONALD E. MOORE	INSPECTOR	5-9-62

THE PERSONNEL FILE OF THIS EMPLOYEE HAS BEEN REVIEWED AND REFLECTS THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS DURING THE PAST THREE YEARS:

☑ CONTINUOUS SAFE DRIVING RECORD

☐ INVOLVED IN TRAFFIC ACCIDENT AND FOUND AT FAULT **

I CERTIFY THAT THIS EMPLOYEE IS:

☑ QUALIFIED ON THE BASIS OF HIS SAFE DRIVING RECORD TO OPERATE MOTOR VEHICLES ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

☐ NOT QUALIFIED AND MUST DEMONSTRATE HIS QUALIFICATIONS BY SATISFACTORILY PASSING A ROAD TEST EXAMINATION BEFORE OPERATING A MOTOR VEHICLE ON OFFICIAL BUSINESS.

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** "AT FAULT" MEANS ANY CASE IN WHICH THE BUREAU HAS TAKEN DISCIPLINARY ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION AGAINST THE EMPLOYEE.

Donald E. Moore 5/9/62
(SIGNATURE OF REVIEWING OFFICIAL)

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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

3-12-62

I certify that I have ~~received~~ returned the following Government property for official use:

One key for sixth floor lobby door.
One key for sixth floor messenger unit.
One key for Room 643 Riddell Building.

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The Government property which you hereby acknowledge is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care of it and returning it when its use has been completed. DO NOT MARK OR WRITE ON IT OR MUTILATE IT IN ANY WAY.

Very truly yours,

PER 3-M

(Written Signature) W. A. Branigan

(Typed Signature) W. A. BRANIGAN

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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

March 9, 1962

I certify that I have ~~received~~ returned the following Government property for official use:

One US Gov't Key for Room 643, Riddell Building.

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Very truly yours,

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(Written Signature) *William A. Branigan*

(Typed Signature) *William A. Branigan*

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

MAR 19 1962

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

RE: SA **WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN**
(Type or print plainly)

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith (by CHECK - MONEY ORDER) the sum of $10, payable to the Assistant Director, Administrative Division, FBI, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for a continuous period of two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Assistant Director of the Administrative Division of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Assistant Director of the Administrative Division, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $10,000. The liability of the fund shall not under any circumstances exceed the amount of monies in the fund at the time any liability shall occur. The following person is designated as my beneficiary for FBI Agents' Insurance Fund:

Name	Relationship	Date
Mrs. Lois H. Branigan	**Wife**	**March 8, 1962**

Address
2317 North Kentucky Street, Arlington, Virginia

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing $1500 death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in the line of duty, other than travel accidents.

Name	Relationship	Date
SAME AS ABOVE		

Address

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Very truly yours,

William A. Branigan

Special Agent

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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

March 9, 1962

I certify that I have [redacted] the following Government property for official use:
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One US Gov't Key for entry to FBI space in Riddell Building. Room 600

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Very truly yours,

PER

(Written Signature) William A. Branigan

(Typed Signature) *William A. Branigan*

OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

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TO : Mr. Mohr

DATE: 4-19-62

FROM : N. P. Callahan

SUBJECT: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
Section Chief
Domestic Intelligence Division

[redacted]

THOMAS J. MC ANDREWS
Section Chief
Special Investigative Division

CLEMENT L. MC GOWAN, JR.
Section Chief
General Investigative Division

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OUTSTANDING ANNUAL PERFORMANCE RATINGS

There are attached for approval annual ratings for Messrs. Branigan, McAndrews, [redacted] and McGowan, covering the period from April 1, 1961, through March 31, 1962, rating their services as Outstanding. During the rating period no administrative action was taken against any of them with the exception of Mr. McAndrews who was censured on October 17, 1961, in connection with the issuing of an Identification Order on a Fugitive-Deserter and on January 24, 1962, for a typographical error in an outgoing communication he prepared. Their overtime records have been satisfactory during the past year.

It is respectfully requested that these ratings be approved and that you, as the Director's Alternate on the Efficiency Awards Committee, sign both the original and copy of each of them as the Approving Official. Thereafter they must be submitted to the Deputy Attorney General in the Department for approval by the Efficiency Awards Committee. Upon approval of these ratings by the Committee, they will be returned to the Bureau and Messrs. Branigan, McAndrews, [redacted] and McGowan will be furnished copies of their ratings. They will also be entitled to cash incentive awards under the provisions of the Incentive Awards Plan. In this regard we have in the past given awards of $500 to Assistant Directors and above, $400 for officials below the level of Assistant Director who are in Grade GS 16 or above, $300 for those in Grades GS 13 through GS 15 and $200 for those in Grade GS 12 or below. Messrs. Branigan, McAndrews and [redacted] are in Grade GS 16 and Mr. McGowan is in Grade GS 15.

Should you agree with the foregoing, these ratings will be forwarded to the Department for approval at such time as other Outstanding ratings have been prepared and approved in the Bureau.

Enclosures ENCLOSURE

RRB:crt (5)

1 - Personnel File of Mr. Thomas J. McAndrews
1 - Personnel File of [redacted]
1 - Personnel File of Mr. Clement L. McGowan, Jr.

PERMANENT BRIEFS ATTACHED.

Memorandum to Mr. Mohr
Re: Outstanding Annual Performance Ratings

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that you, as the Approving Official, sign the original and copy of the attached Outstanding performance ratings for Messrs. Branigan, McAndrews, [redacted] and McGowan and that upon approval of these ratings Messrs. Branigan, McAndrews and [redacted] be approved for an incentive award of $400 and that Mr. McGowan be approved for an award of $300 since he is in Grade GS 15. b6

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May 11, 1962

PERSONAL

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Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Branigan:

I am very pleased to advise that you have been afforded an Outstanding performance rating covering your services for the period April 1, 1961, to March 31, 1962, which has been approved by the Efficiency Awards Committee of the Department. There is enclosed a copy of this rating which you may retain.

It is also a pleasure to inform you that in recognition of your exceptional services I have approved an incentive award for you and there is enclosed a check in the amount of $328.00, which represents an award of $400.00 less withholding tax. I do not want the opportunity to pass without letting you know that I sincerely appreciate the superior and devoted fashion in which you have discharged your heavy responsibilities.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

Enclosures (2)
1 - Mr. Sullivan (Personal Attention) Enclosure

You should personally present this award and should this not be possible or should presentation be unreasonably delayed by your absence, official acting for you should present it.

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Mr. Evans	
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Mr. Rosen	
Mr. Sullivan	
Mr. Tavel	
Mr. Trotter	
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Miss Holmes	
Miss Gandy	

May 14, 1962

Dear Mr. Hoover:

Today I received your letter advising of the approval of an incentive award and enclosing an Outstanding Performance Rating.

Words cannot convey my appreciation for your generosity in this regard. Certainly, this is one of the highlights of my career with the FBI.

At the same time, I want you to know of my intention and hope to continue service that will merit your recognition.

Again, Mr. Hoover, thank you very much for this and for all your many kindnesses in the past.

Sincerely yours,

William A. Branigan

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Mr. John Edgar Hoover
Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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July 13, 1962

PERSONAL

Dear Mr. Branigan:

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to extend my best wishes and congratulations to you for your Twenty-first Anniversary in the Federal Bureau of Investigation. May this be a happy day for you and may you celebrate many more such occasions in the service.

With best regards,

Sincerely,

J. EDGAR HOOVER

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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July 9, 1962

PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Branigan:

Criticism was recently directed at the Bureau for failure to take appropriate measures which would have prevented a convicted espionage agent from fleeing this country. It has been determined that this entire situation never would have occurred had Bureau officials been given an opportunity to determine what investigative steps were necessary with respect to the above individual. Obviously, you did not sufficiently impress upon your subordinates the importance of this case and you were definitely at fault.

The foregoing should serve as a guide to you in the future performance of your work and I will expect you to take whatever action is necessary in order that a similar dereliction will not again be chargeable to you.

Very truly yours,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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1 - Mr. Sullivan (Personal Attention)
1 - Domestic Intelligence Division Personnel File
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Based on memo, C. R. Davidson to Mr. Callahan, 7-9-62, JIC; and

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October 2, 1962

PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

~~CLASSIFIED BY~~ ~~[illegible]~~ NSISCG/cd
~~DECLASSIFY ON: 25X 1,6~~

Dear Mr. Branigan:

I am especially pleased to commend you for your excellent over-all supervision at the Seat of Government in connection with the investigation of the Espionage case involving [redacted] (P) (4)

You made a major contribution to the success achieved as a result of the highly effective manner in which you guided the activities of the field and your splendid efforts in insuring that information was promptly disseminated to appropriate agencies. Your ability, judgment and leadership were indeed noteworthy and I do not want the opportunity to pass without expressing my sincere appreciation.

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Sincerely yours,

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1 - Mr. Sullivan (Personal Attention)

1 - [redacted] (Sent Direct)

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Based on Sullivan-Belmont memo, 10-1-62, re [redacted] (4)
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

OCT 1 1962

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

RE: SA WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
(Type or print plainly)

Dear Sir:

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Address: 2317 No. KENTUCKY ST., ARLINGTON VA.		
Name (contingent beneficiary, if desired)	Relationship	Date
Address		

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Name (contingent beneficiary, if desired)	Relationship	Date
Address		

Very truly yours,

William A. Branigan
Special Agent

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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

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I certify that I have received the following Government property for official use:

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Key to 6th floor, Riddell Building ✓✓

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Very truly yours,

(Written Signature) William A. Branigan

(Typed Signature) WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

FD-253 (Rev. 5-15-62)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

JUL 26 1962

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

RE: SA SA WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
(Type or print plainly)

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LOIS HALLENBECK BRANIGAN	WIFE	7-10-62
Address 2317 N. Kentucky Street, Arlington 5, Virginia		
Name (contingent beneficiary, if desired)	Relationship	Date
NONE		
Address		

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Address 2317 N. Kentucky Street, Arlington 5, Virginia		
Name (contingent beneficiary, if desired)	Relationship	Date
NONE		
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Very truly yours,

William A. Branigan

Special Agent

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : MR. CALLAHAN

DATE: July 9, 1962

FROM : C. R. DAVIDSON CRD JJC

SUBJECT: DR. ROBERT SOBLE
ESPIONAGE - RUSSIA

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On the basis of Mr. Sullivan's memorandum of 7-7-62 the Director has approved letters of censure to Mr. Sullivan, Inspector Donald E. Moore, Section Chief William A. Branigan and Supervisor Elbert T. Turner for the mishandling of the Soble case. In addition, by routing slip the Director has instructed that in view of SA Turner's gross mishandling of the case and the failure to place a surveillance on Soble, SA Turner is to be transferred to the field.

In connection with SA Turner's transfer and return to investigative duties it will be necessary to demote him from his present salary of $13,510 in grade GS-14 to $11,935 in grade GS-13. He is being advised of this demotion in the letter of censure.

In accordance with the above, there are attached letters to Sullivan, Moore, Branigan and Turner. The transfer letter ordering SA Turner to the Cleveland Division is also attached.

RECOMMENDATION:

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That the attached letters be approved and sent.

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Enclosures 7-10-62

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TO : Mr. A. H. Belmont

DATE: July 7, 1962

FROM : Mr. W. C. Sullivan

1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. J. P. Mohr
1 - Mr. N. P. Callahan
1 - Mr. Sullivan

SUBJECT: DR. ROBERT SOBLE
ESPIONAGE - RUSSIA

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The Director has inquired whether or not he was consulted on the decision not to surveil Dr. Robert Soble. He was not consulted. The essential reason for not doing this, which turned out to be a poor one, was that Soble was known to be a dying man and any surveillance of him would greatly embarrass the Bureau and subject us to repeated criticism by unfriendly press men, and possibly some friendly press men.

As it turned out, we were wrong, for the Director should have been consulted. There is now no sound excuse for not doing this and none is being offered.

Steps have been taken to prevent a recurrence of this in the future through instructions given to all Section Chiefs and supervisors. Further, to drive the point home more vigorously, letters of censure are being recommended as set forth below.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That I be censured for my part in the over-all supervision of this matter.

2. That Inspector D. E. Moore be censured for the same reason.

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3. That Section Chief William A. Branigan be censured for not following this situation more closely with his supervisors.

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CC MR. TOLSON

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Memorandum to Belmont
RE: DR. ROBERT SOBLE

4. That Supervisor Elbert T. Turner be censured for not following and recognizing the need to prepare a memorandum giving the Director an opportunity to pass judgment on this matter.

W.C.S.

Yes Sir Br

I certainly concur. We have already taken the action of initiating [illegible] criticism [illegible] moved [illegible] in that [illegible] no [illegible]

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REPORT OF MEDICAL EXAMINATIO

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BRANIGAN WILLIAM ALOYSIUS	SPECIAL AGT.	

4. HOME ADDRESS (Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State)	5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION	6. DATE OF EXAMINATION
	INNUAL	11-30-62

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15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS	16. OTHER INFORMATION
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17. RATING OR SPECIALTY	TIME IN THIS CAPACITY (Total)	LAST SIX MONTHS

CLINICAL EVALUATION

NORMAL	(Check each item in appropriate column; enter "NE" if not evaluated.)	ABNORMAL
	18. HEAD, FACE, NECK, AND SCALP	
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	20. SINUSES	
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	23. DRUMS (Perforation)	
	24. EYES—GENERAL (Visual acuity and refraction under items 69, 60 and 67)	
	25. OPHTHALMOSCOPIC	
	26. PUPILS (Equality and reaction)	
	27. OCULAR MOTILITY (Associated parallel movements, nystagmus)	
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	29. HEART (Thrust, size, rhythm, sounds)	
	30. VASCULAR SYSTEM (Varicosities, etc.)	
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	32. ANUS AND RECTUM (Hemorrhoids, fistulae) (Prostate, if indicated)	
	33. ENDOCRINE SYSTEM	
	34. G-U SYSTEM	
	35. UPPER EXTREMITIES (Strength, range of motion)	
	36. FEET	
	37. LOWER EXTREMITIES (Except feet) (Strength, range of motion)	
	38. SPINE, OTHER MUSCULOSKELETAL	
	39. IDENTIFYING BODY MARKS, SCARS, TATTOOS	
	40. SKIN, LYMPHATICS	
	41. NEUROLOGIC (Equilibrium tests under item 72)	
	42. PSYCHIATRIC (Specify any personality deviation)	
	43. PELVIC (Females only) (Check how done) ☐ VAGINAL ☐ RECTAL	

NOTES. (Describe every abnormality in detail. Enter pertinent item number before each comment. Continue in item 73 and use additional sheets if necessary.)

Appeal re Glaucoma — Consult

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3 ENCLOSURES (Continue in item 73)

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44. DENTAL (Place appropriate symbols above or below number of upper and lower teeth, respectively.)

O—Restorable teeth
I– Nonrestorable teeth
X—Missing teeth
XXX—Replaced by dentures
(6 X 8)—Fixed bridge, brackets to include abutments

RIGHT	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	LEFT
	32	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	

REMARKS AND ADDITIONAL DENTAL DEFECTS AND DISEASES

no defects noted

LABORATORY FINDINGS

45. URINALYSIS: A. SPECIFIC GRAVITY	1.027	46. CHEST X-RAY (Place, date, film number and result)
B. ALBUMIN	Neg.	4839-62 Normal.
C. SUGAR	Neg.	
D. MICROSCOPIC	Neg.	

47. SEROLOGY (Specify test used and result)	48. EKG	49. BLOOD TYPE AND RH FACTOR	50. OTHER TESTS
35DEC101964 Chargé	No significant changes since 1-12-62		

Sugar 41 mg.
[redacted] 1963

MEASUREMENTS AND OTHER FINDINGS

51. HEIGHT	52. WEIGHT	53. COLOR HAIR	54. COLOR EYES	55. BUILD:	56. TEMPERATURE
71	170	Brown	Brown	☐ SLENDER ☐ MEDIUM ☐ HEAVY ☐ OBESE	98

57. BLOOD PRESSURE (*Arm at heart level*)						58. PULSE (*Arm at heart level*)				
A. SITTING	SYS. 138 / DIAS. 80	B. RECUMBENT	SYS. / DIAS.	C. STANDING (*3 min.*)	SYS. / DIAS.	A. SITTING 92	B. AFTER EXERCISE	C. 2 MIN. AFTER	D. RECUMBENT	E. AFTER STANDING 3 MIN.

59. DISTANT VISION		60. REFRACTION		61. 75 cm NEAR VISION	
RIGHT 20/ 60	CORR. TO 20/ 20	BY Lens S.	OX	20/ 4 CORR. TO	BY
LEFT 20/ 60	CORR. TO 20/ 20	BY Lens S.	OX	20/ 4 CORR. TO	BY

62. HETEROPHORIA (*Specify distance*)

ES°	EX°	R. H.	L. H.	PRISM DIV.	PRISM CONV. CT	PC	PD

63. ACCOMMODATION		64. COLOR VISION (*Test used and result*)	65. DEPTH PERCEPTION (*Test used and score*)	UNCORRECTED
RIGHT	LEFT	AOC-1940 18/18		CORRECTED
66. FIELD OF VISION		67. NIGHT VISION (*Test used and score*)	68. RED LENS TEST	69. INTRAOCULAR TENSION

70. HEARING		71. AUDIOMETER									72. PSYCHOLOGICAL AND PSYCHOMOTOR (*Tests used and score*)
RIGHT WV 15/15	SV 15/15		250 *256*	500 *512*	1000 *1024*	2000 *2048*	3000 *3200*	4000 *4096*	6000 *6144*	8000 *8192*	
LEFT WV 15/15	SV 15/15	RIGHT									
		LEFT									

73. NOTES (*Continued*) AND SIGNIFICANT OR INTERVAL HISTORY

(*Use additional sheets if necessary*)

74. SUMMARY OF DEFECTS AND DIAGNOSES (*List diagnoses with item numbers*)

(1) Mole on skin Scalp

75. RECOMMENDATIONS—FURTHER SPECIALIST EXAMINATIONS INDICATED (*Specify*)

Dermatology

76. A. PHYSICAL PROFILE

P	U	L	H	E	S

77. EXAMINEE (*Check*)

A. ☑ IS QUALIFIED FOR
B. ☐ IS NOT QUALIFIED FOR

B. PHYSICAL CATEGORY

78. IF NOT QUALIFIED, LIST DISQUALIFYING DEFECTS BY ITEM NUMBER

A	B	C	E

79. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN	SIGNATURE
80. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN	SIGNATURE
81. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF DENTIST OR PHYSICIAN (*Indicate which*)	SIGNATURE
82. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF REVIEWING OFFICER OR APPROVING AUTHORITY	SIGNATURE

NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS

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REPORT OF MEDICAL HISTORY

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F.B.I.

1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME	2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION	[illegible]
BRANIGAN, William Aloysius	SPECIAL AGENT	
4. HOME ADDRESS (Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State)	5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION	6. DATE OF EXAMINATION
	ANNUAL	11-30-62

7. SEX	8. RACE	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE MILITARY	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE CIVILIAN	10. DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, OR SERVICE	11. ORGANIZATION UNIT
M	WHITE				

12. DATE OF BIRTH	13. PLACE OF BIRTH	14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
3-23-16	ALBANY, N.Y.	

15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS	16. OTHER INFORMATION

17. STATEMENT OF EXAMINEE'S PRESENT HEALTH IN OWN WORDS. (Follow by description of past history, if complaint exists)

Good

18. FAMILY HISTORY

RELATION	AGE	STATE OF HEALTH	IF DEAD, CAUSE OF DEATH	AGE AT DEATH
FATHER	—	—	CORONARY	82
MOTHER	85	Good		
SPOUSE	44	Good		
BROTHERS AND SISTERS	48	Good		
	44	Good		
CHILDREN	19	Good		
	15	Good		
	10	Good		
	Baby	Good		

19. HAS ANY BLOOD RELATION (Parent, brother, sister, other) OR HUSBAND OR WIFE:

YES	NO	(Check each item)	RELATION(S)
	✓	HAD TUBERCULOSIS	
	✓	HAD SYPHILIS	
	✓	HAD DIABETES	
✓		HAD CANCER	MOTHER
	✓	HAD KIDNEY TROUBLE	
	✓	HAD HEART TROUBLE	
	✓	HAD STOMACH TROUBLE	
✓		HAD RHEUMATISM (Arthritis)	MOTHER
	✓	HAD ASTHMA, HAY FEVER, HIVES	
	✓	HAD EPILEPSY (Fits)	
	✓	COMMITTED SUICIDE	
	✓	BEEN INSANE	

20. HAVE YOU EVER HAD OR HAVE YOU NOW (Place check at left of each item)

YES	NO	(Check each item)	YES	NO	(Check each item)	YES	NO	(Check each item)	YES	NO	(Check each item)
	✓	SCARLET FEVER, ERYSIPELAS		✓	GOITER		✓	TUMOR, GROWTH, CYST, CANCER		✓	"TRICK" OR LOCKED KNEE
	✓	DIPHTHERIA		✓	TUBERCULOSIS		✓	RUPTURE		✓	FOOT TROUBLE
	✓	RHEUMATIC FEVER		✓	SOAKING SWEATS (Night sweats)	✓		APPENDICITIS		✓	NEURITIS
	✓	SWOLLEN OR PAINFUL JOINTS		✓	ASTHMA		✓	PILES OR RECTAL DISEASE		✓	PARALYSIS (Inc. infantile)
✓		MUMPS		✓	SHORTNESS OF BREATH		✓	FREQUENT OR PAINFUL URINATION		✓	EPILEPSY OR FITS
✓		WHOOPING COUGH		✓	PAIN OR PRESSURE IN CHEST		✓	KIDNEY STONE OR BLOOD IN URINE		✓	CAR, TRAIN, SEA, OR AIR SICKNESS
	✓	FREQUENT OR SEVERE HEADACHE		✓	CHRONIC COUGH		✓	SUGAR OR ALBUMIN IN URINE		✓	FREQUENT TROUBLE SLEEPING
	✓	DIZZINESS OR FAINTING SPELLS		✓	PALPITATION OR POUNDING HEART		✓	BOILS		✓	FREQUENT OR TERRIFYING NIGHTMARES
✓		EYE TROUBLE		✓	HIGH OR LOW BLOOD PRESSURE		✓	VENEREAL DISEASE		✓	DEPRESSION OR EXCESSIVE WORRY
	✓	EAR, NOSE OR THROAT TROUBLE		✓	CRAMPS IN YOUR LEGS		✓	RECENT GAIN OR LOSS OF WEIGHT		✓	LOSS OF MEMORY OR AMNESIA
	✓	RUNNING EARS		✓	FREQUENT INDIGESTION		✓	ARTHRITIS OR RHEUMATISM		✓	BED WETTING
	✓	CHRONIC OR FREQUENT COLDS		✓	STOMACH, LIVER OR INTESTINAL TROUBLE		✓	BONE, JOINT, OR OTHER DEFORMITY		✓	NERVOUS TROUBLE OF ANY SORT
	✓	SEVERE TOOTH OR GUM TROUBLE		✓	GALL BLADDER TROUBLE OR GALL STONES		✓	LAMENESS		✓	ANY DRUG OR NARCOTIC HABIT
✓		SINUSITIS		✓	JAUNDICE		✓	LOSS OF ARM, LEG, FINGER, OR TOE		✓	EXCESSIVE DRINKING HABIT
	✓	HAY FEVER		✓	ANY REACTION TO SERUM, DRUG OR MEDICINE		✓	PAINFUL OR "TRICK" SHOULDER OR ELBOW		✓	HOMOSEXUAL TENDENCIES

21. HAVE YOU EVER (Check each item)

✓		WORN GLASSES		✓	ATTEMPTED SUICIDE
	✓	WORN AN ARTIFICIAL EYE		✓	BEEN A SLEEP WALKER
	✓	WORN HEARING AIDS		✓	LIVED WITH ANYONE WHO HAD TUBERCULOSIS
	✓	STUTTERED OR STAMMERED		✓	COUGHED UP BLOOD
	✓	WORN A BRACE OR BACK SUPPORT		✓	BLED EXCESSIVELY AFTER INJURY OR TOOTH EXTRACTION

22. FEMALES ONLY: A. HAVE YOU EVER—

		BEEN PREGNANT	
		HAD A VAGINAL DISCHARGE	
		BEEN TREATED FOR A FEMALE DISORDER	
		HAD PAINFUL MENSTRUATION	
		HAD IRREGULAR MENSTRUATION	

B. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:

	AGE AT ONSET OF MENSTRUATION
	INTERVAL BETWEEN PERIODS
	DURATION OF PERIODS
	DATE OF LAST PERIOD
	QUANTITY: ☐ NORMAL ☐ EXCESSIVE ☐ SCANTY

23. HOW MANY JOBS HAVE YOU HAD IN THE PAST THREE YEARS? ONE

24. WHAT IS THE LONGEST PERIOD YOU HELD ANY OF THESE JOBS? MONTHS 33 YRS.

25. WHAT IS YOUR USUAL OCCUPATION? SP. AGT - FBI

26. ARE YOU (Check one) ☐ RIGHT HANDED ☑ LEFT HANDED

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YES	NO	CHECK EACH ITEM YES OR NO. EVERY ITEM CHECKED "YES" MUST BE FULLY EXPLAINED IN BLANK SPACE ON RIGHT
	✓	27. HAVE YOU BEEN UNABLE TO HOLD A JOB BECAUSE OF: A. SENSITIVITY TO CHEMICALS, DUST, SUNLIGHT, ETC.
	✓	B. INABILITY TO PERFORM CERTAIN MOTIONS
	✓	C. INABILITY TO ASSUME CERTAIN POSITIONS
	✓	D. OTHER MEDICAL REASONS (*If yes, give reasons*)
	✓	28. HAVE YOU EVER WORKED WITH RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCE?
	✓	29. DID YOU HAVE DIFFICULTY WITH SCHOOL STUDIES OR TEACHERS? (*If yes, give details*)
	✓	30. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REFUSED EMPLOYMENT BECAUSE OF YOUR HEALTH? (*If yes, state reason and give details*)
	✓	31. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DENIED LIFE INSURANCE? (*If yes, state reason and give details*)
✓		32. HAVE YOU HAD, OR HAVE YOU BEEN ADVISED TO HAVE, ANY OPERATIONS? (*If yes, describe and give age at which occurred*) APPENDECTOMY 31 yrs.
	✓	33. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN A PATIENT (*committed or voluntary*) IN A MENTAL HOSPITAL OR SANATORIUM? (*If yes, specify when, where, why, and name of doctor, and complete address of hospital or clinic*)
	✓	34. HAVE YOU EVER HAD ANY ILLNESS OR INJURY OTHER THAN THOSE ALREADY NOTED? (*If yes, specify when, where, and give details*)
	✓	35. HAVE YOU CONSULTED OR BEEN TREATED BY CLINICS, PHYSICIANS, HEALERS, OR OTHER PRACTITIONERS WITHIN THE PAST 5 YEARS? (*If yes, give complete address of doctor, hospital, clinic, and details*)
	✓	36. HAVE YOU TREATED YOURSELF FOR ILLNESSES OTHER THAN MINOR COLDS? (*If yes, which illnesses*)
	✓	37. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REJECTED FOR MILITARY SERVICE BECAUSE OF PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR OTHER REASONS? (*If yes, give date and reason for rejection*)
	✓	38. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DISCHARGED FROM MILITARY SERVICE BECAUSE OF PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR OTHER REASONS? (*If yes, give date, reason, and type of discharge: whether honorable, other than honorable, for unfitness or unsuitability*)
	✓	39. HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED, IS THERE PENDING, HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR, OR DO YOU INTEND TO APPLY FOR PENSION OR COMPENSATION FOR EXISTING DISABILITY? (*If yes, specify what kind, granted by whom, and what amount, when, why*)

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE REVIEWED THE FOREGOING INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY ME AND THAT IT IS TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.
I AUTHORIZE ANY OF THE DOCTORS, HOSPITALS, OR CLINICS MENTIONED ABOVE TO FURNISH THE GOVERNMENT A COMPLETE TRANSCRIPT OF MY MEDICAL RECORD FOR PURPOSES OF PROCESSING MY APPLICATION FOR THIS EMPLOYMENT OR SERVICE.

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF EXAMINEE	SIGNATURE
WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN	William A Branigan

40. PHYSICIAN'S SUMMARY AND ELABORATION OF ALL PERTINENT DATA (*Physician shall comment on all positive answers in items 20 thru 39*)

None

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN OR EXAMINER	DATE	SIGNATURE	NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS
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DRS. A. M. PALMER, W. J. WHITE
Reg. No. 7418 Reg. No. 119
5275 Lee Highway, Arlington 7, Virginia
Phone: KE 6-5700

Name Mrs Lee A Branigan

Address

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Date 1368 Refill 0-1-2 M. D.

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Attachment to Standard Form 88, Report of Medical Examination

For Information and Guidance of Medical Examiner

Name of Examinee *(Type or print)* BRANIGAN (Last) WILLIAM (First) ALOYSIUS (Middle)

The following portions of the attached examination report form need not be completed:

2	14	68
3	17	69
4	62	72
9	65	76
11	67	

46. Is necessary unless facilities for affording same are not readily available.

48. Not required unless examinee is over 35 years of age or examination indicates such is desirable.

49. Is necessary unless facilities for affording same are not readily available.

71. Audiometer examinations should be afforded whenever possible for all Special Agent applicants and Special Agents. Applicants for the Special Agent position will not be accepted if the hearing loss exceeds a 15 decibel average in each ear in the conversational speech range (500, 1000, 2000 cycles).

For All Examinees, Whether Clerical or Special Agent Applicants or Employees:

The medical examiner should answer the following question:

Examinee ☑ *is* ☐ *is not qualified for strenuous physical exertion.*

To be Answered in the Case of All Male Employees and Male Applicants:

1. Does examinee have any defects restricting or prohibiting his participation in defensive tactics and dangerous assignments which might entail the practical use of firearms?

☑ No ☐ Yes If "yes" please specify defects. _____

2. Does examinee have any defects prohibiting safe operation of motor vehicles?

☑ No ☐ Yes If "yes" please specify defects. _____

3. For safe driving of motor vehicles, Civil Service Commission requires distant vision must test at least 20/40 in one eye and 20/100 in the other, corrected or uncorrected. Should examinee wear corrective glasses while operating a motor vehicle? ☐ Yes ☐ No
If recommendation is based on a factor other than above standard, indicate basis _____

Branigan advised to wear corrective glasses when driving Bureau auto 1/4/63 Bmassey

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Desirable Weight Ranges for Males

Height	Small Frame	Medium Frame	Large Frame
5' 4"	117 - 125	123 - 135	131 - 148
5' 5"	120 - 129	126 - 139	134 - 152
5' 6"	124 - 133	130 - 143	138 - 157
5' 7"	128 - 137	134 - 148	143 - 162
5' 8"	132 - 141	138 - 152	147 - 165
5' 9"	136 - 146	142 - 156	151 - 170
5' 10"	140 - 150	146 - 161	155 - 175
5' 11"	144 - 154	150 - 166	160 - 180
6'	148 - 158	154 - 171	164 - 185
6' 1"	152 - 163	158 - 176	169 - 190
6' 2"	156 - 167	163 - 181	174 - 195
6' 3"	160 - 171	168 - 186	178 - 200
6' 4"	169 - 180	178 - 196	188 - 210
6' 5"	174 - 185	182 - 202	192 - 216

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3. Examinee's frame is ☐ small ☐ medium ☑ large

4. Considering above weight table, the examinee's frame, and other individual physical characteristics, I consider his present weight ☑ Satisfactory ☐ Excessive ☐ Deficient

5. Under proper medical supervision, examinee should ☐ lose _____ pounds
☐ gain _____ pounds

Remarks: _____

_____

_____
(Signature of Medical Examiner)

11-30-62
(Date)

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FBI AUTOMATIC DECLASSIFICATION GUIDE
DATE 12-02-2011

Name: William A. Branigan

Title: Section Chief
Espionage Section

EOD: 7-14-41

Grade: GS-16, $17,000

Nonveteran

Not on probation

Not on limited duty

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WHERE SHOWN OTHERWISE

ASSISTANT DIRECTOR SULLIVAN: Mr. Branigan has been Chief of the Espionage Section since 10-23-51. This Section has the responsibility for the supervision of espionage and intelligence investigations involving the Soviet Union and most of the satellite countries. In addition to extensive experience at the Seat of Government, Mr. Branigan had valuable experience in the field in espionage investigations. He is extremely enthusiastic and energetic, is a hard worker and makes an excellent appearance and impression as a Bureau representative. His Section handles extremely complicated investigative matters and he has personally shown initiative and ingenuity in directing the work of this Section. Since the last performance rating, Mr. Branigan was censured on 7-9-62 for failure to see that appropriate measures were taken to prevent a convicted espionage agent from fleeing the United States. On 5-11-62 he was advised of an outstanding performance rating awarded him for the period 4-1-61 to 3-31-62. On 10-2-62 he was commended for the excellent over-all supervision at the Seat of Government in the [redacted] espionage case.

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Rating: Excellent

INSPECTOR JOSEPH K. PONDER: (mbk, 12-13-62) I concur with the Assistant Director's comments. Mr. Branigan displays exceptional qualities of leadership in directing the activities of his section. He has an aggressive approach to the Bureau's problems in the Espionage field and has the respect and confidence of his subordinates. He has an excellent grasp of problems in this area of the Bureau's work and it was found during the inspection that his section is operating in a most satisfactory manner.

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Domestic Intelligence Division Inspection
November 21, 1962
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(Field Office or Division) SEAT OF GOVERNMENT
Domestic Intelligence Div.

(Date) NOVEMBER 29, 1962

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

In continuing my employment in the Federal Bureau of Investigation, United States Department of Justice, I hereby agree that I will be governed by the following provisions.

1. That the strictly confidential character of any and all information secured by me or coming to my attention in connection, directly or indirectly, with my work as an employee of this Bureau, or the work of other employees of which I may become cognizant, is fully understood by me; and that neither during my tenure of service with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, nor at any time, will I violate this confidence nor will I divulge any information of any kind or character whatsoever that may become known to me to persons not officially entitled thereto, recognizing applicability to me of penalty provisions in case of any violation by me.

2. That information referred to in Item 1 above includes but is by no means limited to information in the interests of the defense of the United States marked "Top Secret," "Secret," or "Confidential," and that Department of Justice regulations provide specifically for penalty applicable to me for any violation of Executive Order 10501, the basic authority for safeguarding such information, as follows: "Any officer or employee who violates any provision of Executive Order No. 10501, as amended, or of these regulations shall be subject to appropriate disciplinary action. Prompt and stringent administrative action shall be taken against any officer or employee determined to have been knowingly responsible for any release or disclosure of classified defense information or material except in the manner authorized by these regulations. Whenever a violation of criminal statutes may be involved in a deliberate unauthorized release or disclosure of classified defense information, criminal prosecution, in an appropriate case, shall also be instituted."

I further certify that the conditions specified herein are agreeable to me, and that I continue as an employee of the Federal Bureau of Investigation with a full knowledge of the conditions above set forth.

Very truly yours,

William R. Branigan Special Agent
(Signature and Title of Position)

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1. Agency and organizational designations: FBI

2. Payroll period | 3. Block No. | 4. Slip No.

5. Employee's name (and social security account number when appropriate): #07804 MR. WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

Supv. SA (Chief of the Espionage Section)

6. Grade and salary: GS 16 Step 4 $17,500

PAYROLL CHANGE DATA

	BASE PAY	OVERTIME		GROSS PAY	RET.	FEDERAL TAX	BOND	F. I. C. A.	STATE TAX	GROUP LIFE INS.	HEALTH BENEFITS		NET PAY
7. Previous normal													
8. New normal													
9. Pay this period													

10. Remarks:

Work is of an acceptable level of competence.

11. Appropriation(s)

12. Prepared by

13. Audited by

☒ Periodic step-increase ☐ Pay adjustment ☐ Other step-increase

14. Effective date	15. Date last equivalent increase	16. Old salary rate	17. New salary rate
12-23-62	12-24-61	$17,000	$17,500

18. Performance rating is satisfactory or better.

(Signature or other authentication)

19. LWOP data (Fill in appropriate spaces covering LWOP during following periods):
Period(s):

☒ No excess LWOP. Total excess LWOP: NOT APPLICABLE

(Check applicable box in case of excess LWOP)
☐ In pay status at end of waiting period.
☐ In LWOP status at end of waiting period.

BCM Initials of Clerk

STANDARD FORM NO. 1126
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PAYROLL CHANGE SLIP—PERSONNEL COPY

Audit Record
2-100 (Rev. 2-18

To: Mr. Brownfield

Re: Audit

Assignment

Class Admin. IN Service
Topic Supervisory Problems - Espionage
Date 4-4-63
Time 3:00 - 4:00
Place 5240 JB

D Mr. Felt
Mr. Casper
Mr. Hyde
Mr. Callahan
Mr. Conrad
Mr. DeLoach
Mr. Evans
Mr. Gale
Mr. Rosen
Mr. Sullivan
Mr. Tavel
Mr. Trotter
Mr. Gump

Moore

EVALUATION

Name of instructor	Division to which assigned
BRANIGAN BRANNIGAN, WILLIAM A.	DOM. INTELL.

Note: *The lecture program is one of the most important academic methods used at the Bureau. The frank and constructive comments of the auditor are required if this program is to be kept vitalized. The knowledge imparted to the audience is the primary consideration in lecture evaluation.*

A. Subject Matter
(1) Contains useful information ☑ Yes ☐ No
Is current ☑ Yes ☐ No
Lecture conforms with lecture outline ☑ Yes ☐ No
(2) Main points could be remembered or summarized ☑ Yes ☐ No
Lecture was suitable for note taking ☑ Yes ☐ No
Subject matter required considerable concentration ☑ Yes ☐ No
(3) Presentation, from standpoint of audience level, pitched ☑ About right
☐ Too high ☐ Too low

B. Lecturer's Ability

	Outstanding	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Fair
(1) Knowledge of subject matter	☑	☐	☐	☐	☐
(2) Speaking ability	☑	☐	☐	☐	☐

C. Audio-Visual Aids
Comments:

D. Question Period
Comments:
Afforded every opportunity for questions and discussions; repeated questions and provided background of case involving specific question so class would understand question and answer.

E. General Remarks and Recommendations
(1) Recommend retention of this presentation ☑ Yes ☐ No
(2) Recommend continued use of this speaker ☑ Yes ☐ No
(3) Recommend following speakers: _____

(4) General comments:
Did outstanding job in discussing subject matter; held attention of class; lecture was geared to supervisory problems and considerations of Espionage work.

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T. J. Brownfield
Signature

OPTIONAL FORM NO. 10

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO :	MR. SULLIVAN	DATE:	3-28-63
FROM :	MR. BRANIGAN		
SUBJECT:	SA WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN IN-SERVICE TRAINING		

Tolson
Belmont
Mohr
Casper
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Conrad
DeLoach
Evans
Gale
Rosen
Sullivan
Tavel
Trotter
Tele. Room
Holmes
Gandy

Unless advised to the contrary, I will attend the Special Espionage In-Service training which session will commence 5-27-63. If you agree, this should be referred to the Administrative Division.

ACTION:

For information. Refer to Administrative Division.

WAB:hrt
(5)

1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Administrative Division
1 - Training Division
1 - Mr. Branigan

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to File No.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith **(by Check - Money Order)** the sum of $10, payable to the Assistant Director, Administrative Division, FBI, to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for a continuous period of two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Assistant Director of the Administrative Division of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Assistant Director of the Administrative Division, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $10,000. The liability of the fund shall not under any circumstances exceed the amount of monies in the fund at the time any liability shall occur.

EXECUTE IN DUPLICATE AND SUBMIT BOTH COPIES TO THE BUREAU

Official Bureau Name (please type or print)	Date	Office of Assignment (or SOG Division)
SA **WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN**	**3-6-63**	**Domestic Intelligence**

The following person is designated as my beneficiary for Special Agents Insurance Fund:

Name (primary beneficiary; use given first name if female)	Relationship
LOIS H. BRANIGAN	**WIFE**

Address
2317 North Kentucky Street, Arlington, Virginia

Name (contingent beneficiary, if desired; use given first name if female)	Relationship

Address

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing $1500 death benefit to beneficiary of **agents killed in the line of duty, other than travel accidents.**

Name (primary beneficiary; use given first name if female)	Relationship
LOIS H. BRANIGAN	**WIFE**

Address
2317 North Kentucky Street, Arlington, Virginia

Name (contingent beneficiary, if desired; use given first name if female)	Relationship

Address

Very truly yours,

William A. Branigan
Special Agent

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J. Edgar Hoover, Director

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

REPORT OF PERFORMANCE RATING

Name of Employee: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

Where Assigned: Domestic Intelligence (Division) Espionage (Section, Unit)

Official Position Title: Supervisory Special Agent (Section Chief) GS-16

Rating Period: from April 1, 1962 to March 31, 1963

ADJECTIVE RATING: EXCELLENT
Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory

Employee's Initials: W.A.B.

	Signature	Title	Date
Rated by:	Donald E. Moore	Inspector	4-10-63
Reviewed by:	William A. Sullivan	Assistant Director	4-10-63
Rating Approved by:	[signature]	Assistant Director	APR 18 1963

TYPE OF REPORT

(x) Official
(x) Annual

( ) Administrative
( ) 60-Day
( ) 90-Day
( ) Transfer
( ) Separation from Service
( ) Special

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NARRATIVE COMMENTS

Note: The regulations require that OUTSTANDING ratings be supported by a statement in writing setting forth IN DETAIL the performance IN EVERY ASPECT and the REASONS for considering each worthy of SPECIAL COMMENDATION.
UNSATISFACTORY ratings must be supported by a statement in writing stating (1) WHEREIN the performance is unsatisfactory, (2) the facts of the (90 day) PRIOR WARNING, and (3) the efforts made AFTER THE WARNING TO HELP the employee bring his performance up to a satisfactory level.

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PERFORMANCE RATING GUIDE FOR INVESTIGATIVE PERSONNEL

(For use as attachment to Performance Rating Form No. FD-185)

Name of Employee WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN Title Supervisory Special Agent (Section Chief) GS-16

Rating Period: from 4-1-62 to 3-31-63

RATING GUIDE AND CHECK-LIST

Note: Only those items having pertinent bearing on employee's performance should be rated. All employees in same salary grade should be compared. Rate items as follows:

+ Outstanding (exceeding excellent and deserving of special commendation).
E Excellent.
✓ Satisfactory (good or very good).
− Unsatisfactory.
O No opportunity to appraise performance during rating period.

Guide for determining adjective rating:

1. "Outstanding" adjective rating requires (A) that all rated elements be "+" and (B) that each and every rated element be factually justified by narrative detail on reverse of Form FD-185.
2. "Excellent," "Satisfactory" or "Unsatisfactory" adjective ratings will depend upon the composite result of evaluating all rated elements rather than following any mechanical formulas; however, for an employee to be rated "Excellent" he must not be rated unsatisfactory on any performance evaluation factors on the rating guide and check-list and must be rated "Excellent" or "Outstanding" on the majority of such rating factors. Good judgment must be exercised to insure that adjective rating is reasonable in the light of elements rated.
   A. Any element rated "Unsatisfactory" must be supported by narrative comments.
   B. An "official" adjective rating of "Unsatisfactory" must comply with the requirements described on the reverse of form FD-185.

+ (1) Personal appearance.
+ (2) Personality and effectiveness of his personal contacts.
+ (3) *Attitude (including dependability, cooperativeness, loyalty,* enthusiasm, amenability and willingness to equitably share work load).
+ (4) Physical fitness (including health, energy, stamina).
+ (5) Resourcefulness and ingenuity.
+ (6) Forcefulness and aggressiveness as required.
+ (7) Judgment, including common sense, ability to arrive at proper conclusions, ability to define objectives.
+ (8) Initiative and the taking of appropriate action on own responsibility.
+/✓ (9) Planning ability and its application to the work.
✓ (10) Accuracy and attention to pertinent detail.
+ (11) Industry, including energetic, consistent application to duties.
+ (12) Productivity, including amount of acceptable work produced and rate of progress on or completion of assignments. Also consider adherence to deadlines unless failure to meet is attributable to causes beyond employee's control.
+ (13) Knowledge of duties, instructions, rules and regulations, including readiness of comprehension and "know how" of application.
C (14) Technical or mechanical skills.
+ (15) Investigative ability and results:
   + (a) Internal security cases
   O (b) Criminal or general investigative cases
   O (c) Fugitive cases
   O (d) Applicant cases
   O (e) Accounting cases
O (16) Physical surveillance ability.
✓ (17) Firearms ability.
O (18) Development of informants and sources of information.
+ (19) *Reporting ability:*
   C (a) Investigative reports
   O (b) Summary reports
   + (c) Memos, letters, wires
   (Consider: + conciseness; + clarity; + organization; + thoroughness; + accuracy; + adequacy and pertinency of leads; + administrative detail.)
C (20) Performance as a witness.
+ (21) Executive ability:
   + (a) Leadership
   + (b) Ability to handle personnel
   + (c) Planning
   + (d) Making decisions
   + (e) Assignment of work
   + (f) Training subordinates
   + (g) Devising procedures
   + (h) Emotional stability
   + (i) Promoting high morale
   + (j) Getting results
+ (22) Ability on raids and dangerous assignments:
   + (a) As leader
   + (b) As participant
+ (23) Organizational interest, such as making of suggestions for improvement.
+ (24) Ability to work under pressure.
+ (25) Miscellaneous. Specify and rate:
   + Dictation ability

A. Specify general nature of assignment during most of rating period (such as security, criminal, applicant squad, or as Resident Agent, supervisor, instructor, etc.): Section Chief

B. Specify employee's most noteworthy special talents (such as investigator, desk man, research, instructor, speaker): Administrator

C. (1) Is employee available for general assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)
(2) Is employee available for special assignment wherever needs of service require? Yes (If answer is not "yes," explain in narrative comments.)

D. 1. Has employee had an abnormal sick leave record during rating period? No 2. Has employee used more sick leave (including annual leave or LWOP for illness) during rating period than the amount of sick leave earned during such period? No (If answer to either question is "Yes," explain in narrative comments.)

E. Is employee qualified to operate a motor vehicle incidental to his official duties? [X] Yes [ ] No
If answer is "yes," personnel file must reflect the following: (a) Has valid State or local operator's license for type vehicle he is to use. (b) Is physically fit to drive. (c) Past safe driving record OK or has passed Bureau road test.

ADJECTIVE RATING: EXCELLENT (Outstanding, Excellent, Satisfactory, Unsatisfactory) EMPLOYEE'S INITIALS WGB

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WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
SECTION CHIEF - ESPIONAGE SECTION
EOD BUREAU 7-14-41

PART I ----- GENERAL COMMENTS

During the entire rating period Mr. Branigan has continued as Chief of the Espionage Section which handles espionage and
(U) intelligence investigations involving the Soviet Union and certain other Soviet bloc countries. This is an extremely sensitive and complicated field and he has directed his Section's activities in an outstanding manner. Both from a field investigative viewpoint and a Seat of Government supervisory viewpoint, he has an outstanding knowledge of espionage investigations and is fully qualified to direct the complicated investigations in the espionage field.

Mr. Branigan is a most impressive Bureau representative, is always immaculately groomed, has an outstanding personality and is an excellent conversationalist. His enthusiasm and desire set an excellent example for those working under him and he always strives for the utmost in accomplishments. He is fully qualified to participate in or lead raids and other dangerous assignments and could be counted on in such endeavors.

During the rating period Mr. Branigan was commended by the Director by letter dated 10-2-62 for his excellent over-all supervision at the Seat of Government in connection with the investigation of the espionage case involving [redacted] This and numerous other complicated and sensitive investigations have been handled in Mr. Branigan's section during the rating period and excellent results have been achieved. He has been most alert to the ever changing nature of Soviet bloc intelligence ac-
(U) tivities and has directed the work of his section so as to capitalize on new information and changing conditions. His section has been alert to the necessity for recruiting new sources, developing new methods and devising new programs so as to obtain extremely important data for the Bureau and to meet the Bureau's responsibility.

Mr. Branigan is completely available for assignment wherever his services may be needed and can be counted on in any assignment given him. He is a loyal and capable Bureau representative who has directed the Bureau's work in an extremely complicated and sensitive field in a most efficient manner and his work easily warrants the rating of EXCELLENT.

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PART II - SPECIFIC COMMENT

1. JUSTIFICATION FOR ANY MINUS RATINGS GIVEN

Not applicable

2. EXPERIENCE AND ABILITY AS INSPECTOR'S AIDE

While trained as an Inspector's Aide, Mr. Branigan has not been assigned as such. However, in his work as Section Chief he has received training along inspection lines.

3. PARTICIPATION IN INFORMANT PROGRAMS

Mr. Branigan has effectively supervised programs with regard to over-all informant coverage in intelligence and espionage matters.

4. TESTIFYING EXPERIENCE AND ABILITY

Not applicable

5. DISCIPLINARY ACTION

By letter dated 7-9-62, Mr. Branigan was censured for failure to see that Bureau officials were given an opportunity to determine what investigative steps were necessary in connection with the investigation of a convicted espionage agent. This is not in accordance with Mr. Branigan's customary handling of such matters and it has been taken into consideration in rating him satisfactory on Item 10 regarding accuracy and attention to pertinent detail.

6. ACCOUNTING INFORMATION

Not applicable

7. POLICE INSTRUCTION

Not applicable

8. SOUND TRAINING

Not applicable

[redacted]

PART II - SPECIFIC COMMENTS (Continued)

9. RESIDENT AGENTS

Not applicable

10. FOREIGN LANGUAGE ABILITY - Not applicable

Language in which proficient _____.

Completed language school _____ Yes ☐ No ☐

Fluent in _____ language to extent Agent can handle typical investigative problems as follows:

1) conversation form - Yes ☐ No ☐

2) written form - Yes ☐ No ☐

Name of Language	Read	Write	Speak	Understand
(Evaluate proficiency in above language ability in each phase as Excellent, Very Good, Fair or Unsatisfactory)				

Frequency _____ language ability was used during the rating period:

11. ADMINISTRATIVE ADVANCEMENT:

a) Agent is interested in administrative advancement - Yes ☒ No ☐

b) Agent is completely available for administrative advancement - Yes ☒ No ☐

c) Agent is considered completely qualified at present for administrative advancement including experience, ability, personality and appearance - Yes ☒ No ☐

d) Consider qualifications very good _____, excellent _____, outstanding _x_____.

e) Agent has potential for future administrative advancement - Yes ☐ No ☐

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July 5, 1963

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Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Branigan:

It is a pleasure to commend you for your excellent coordination at the Seat of Government of the Espionage-Conspiracy case involving [redacted] and others. (X) 4

The successful results achieved in this sensitive and difficult matter can be ascribed in no small measure to the very thorough, alert and resourceful manner in which you discharged your specific responsibilities. Your supervision was a credit to you and indicative of your ability to handle such assignments. I do not want the opportunity to pass without expressing my sincere appreciation.

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JUL 5 1963
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Sincerely yours,

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J. Edgar Hoover

1 - Mr. Sullivan (Personal Attention)
1 - [redacted] (Sent Direct)

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Based on memorandum Moore to Sullivan 7-3-63 with addendum of Administrative Division 7-5-63 re: [redacted] ESPIONAGE - RUSSIA." (X) 4

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W. C. Sullivan

July 3, 1963

D. E. Moore

1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. J.P.Mohr
1 - Mr. N.P.Callahan
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Mr. D.E.Moore

(U) [redacted]
ESPIONAGE - RUSSIA

This is to recommend an incentive award, in an amount to be fixed by the Administrative Division, for the outstanding performance by Supervisor Anthony P. Litrento in the captioned matter and also to recommend a letter of commendation for Section Chief William A. Branigan for his outstanding performance. Details are as follows:

The arrest of two Soviets in New York and two Soviet illegal agents in Washington, D. C., on the evening of July 2, 1963, was the result of careful handling of our informant in the [redacted] case over a period in excess of four years, in careful analysis of the investigation in the case involving Soviet illegal agents in the [redacted] case, and the investigation of [redacted] in New York City. Over an extended period of time Supervisor Litrento arranged for necessary clearance of material passed to Soviet military intelligence through our controlled double agent. In view of the importance of the [redacted] informant every major step in the handling of the informant was the joint product of the New York Office and the Bureau Supervisor. In this regard, Litrento, to whom the case is assigned at the Seat of Government, used outstanding judgment in guiding the development of the case.

Supervisor Litrento personally drew up a plan of utilizing an espionage conspiracy charge to tie in [redacted] in New York and [redacted] in Washington. This was possible inasmuch as the [redacted] emptied a drop in the [redacted] case and subsequently filled a drop in the [redacted] case. Supervisor Litrento also drew up various other possibilities, participated in the discussions of this case with the Department and, although initially the Internal Security Division seemed somewhat skeptical of the possibility of an espionage conspiracy charge, they subsequently proceeded against the subjects very much along the lines originally suggested by Supervisor Litrento. Also, on the evening of the arrests, Supervisor Litrento performed outstanding service in discussions with the Department and with the field offices involved.

The various cases involved in this matter were all under the supervision of Section Chief William A. Branigan and over an extended

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1 - Personnel File (William A. Branigan)

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Memorandum for Mr. Sullivan
RE: [redacted] (S) b6

period of time and especially during the past few weeks, he has performed in a most outstanding manner. He has seen that necessary instructions were furnished the field, necessary work was performed at the Seat of Government in connection with obtaining necessary papers to proceed with the arrests of the subjects, has seen that the proper plans were laid for the apprehensions and has discussed necessary phases of this case with officials of the Department and various other Government agencies. During the evening of July 2, 1963, Mr. Branigan performed in an outstanding manner in connection with all of the various matters relating to the arrests of the subjects, and it is recommended his services be appropriately recognized.

RECOMMENDATION:

(1) That Supervisor Anthony P. Litrento receive an incentive award for his outstanding performance, the amount to be fixed by the Administrative Division.

(2) That Section Chief William A. Branigan receive a letter of commendation in recognition of his outstanding performance.

ADDENDUM: (JAS:jdg, 7-3-63)

In addition to the above recommendations, I think letters should also go to Inspector D. E. Moore and Assistant Director Sullivan. Mr. Moore participated in the original extensive interviews of the [redacted] (S) informant which resulted in his willingness to assist this Government. The information which we subsequently received from [redacted] was of great value to the Bureau in broadening its knowledge and understanding of Soviet illegal intelligence operations and much credit for our success in this area should go to Mr. Moore. It should be noted that Mr. Sullivan also took a very personal interest in all aspects of this case including discussions with Department officials, Bureau and field personnel. He deferred his scheduled annual leave and spent long hours throughout the past weekend and the last several days leading up to the apprehension of the subjects in this case. I feel the Director would want to commend Sullivan for the interest which he put forth in the success of this operation.

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July 12, 1963

PERSONAL

Dear Mr. Branigan:

Congratulations! I note you will be celebrating your Twenty-second Anniversary in the Bureau and wanted to join your many friends in extending best wishes to you. May this be a happy occasion for you and may you celebrate many more anniversaries in the service of the Bureau.

Sincerely,

J. EDGAR HOOVER

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : MR. SULLIVAN

DATE: 9-30-63

FROM : MR. BRANIGAN

SUBJECT: SA WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
GS-16
ESPIONAGE SECTION
DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION
ERROR IN CORRESPONDENCE

Under date of 9-25-63 SA Branigan dictated and approved a letter to the Attorney General which was classified "Confidential." The Group Stamp was omitted. The error was detected in the Reading Room. The Group Stamp was omitted inadvertently and it was not detected on approval of the correspondence.

ACTION:

In view of the above, it is recommended that a letter of censure be directed to SA Branigan calling his attention to the need for complete accuracy and attention to pertinent detail.

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1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Administrative Division
1 - Mr. Branigan

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October 2, 1963

PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Branigan:

You prepared an outgoing communication under date of September 25, 1963, in which an error was subsequently detected. This mistake could have been prevented had you exercised more care in the preparation of this item of correspondence.

Hereafter, you should pay closer attention to the handling of such matters so that mistakes of this type may be eliminated.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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Based on memo, Mr. Branigan to Mr. Sullivan, 9-30-63 WAB:hrt.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith **(by Check - Money Order)** the sum of $10, payable to S.A.I.F., to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for a continuous period of two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Assistant Director of the Administrative Division of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Assistant Director of the Administrative Division, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $10,000. The liability of the fund shall not under any circumstances exceed the amount of monies in the fund at the time any liability shall occur.

EXECUTE IN DUPLICATE AND SUBMIT BOTH COPIES TO THE BUREAU

Official Bureau Name (please type or print)	Date	Office of Assignment (or SOG Division)
SA William A. Branigan	7-16-63	D.I.D.

The following person is designated as my beneficiary for Special Agents Insurance Fund:

Name (primary beneficiary; use given first name if female)	Relationship
Lois Hallenbeck Branigan	Wife

Address: 2317 N. Kentucky St. Arlington Va.

Name (contingent beneficiary, if desired; use given first name if female)	Relationship

Address

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing $1500 death benefit to beneficiary of agents killed in the line of duty, other than travel accidents.

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Address

Very truly yours,

William A. Branigan
Special Agent

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SAC Mr. Sullivan October 29, 1963

Director, FBI

William A. Branigan
SPECIAL AGENT

The above-captioned Special Agent attended the following training course(s):

In-Service: from 10/14/63 to 10/25/63

☐ Criminal ☐ Accounting

☐ Security ☐ Expert Firearms-Defensive Tactics
☐ Basic
☐ Advanced

☒ Specialized Espionage In-Service #2

The firearms scores should be entered on the individual field firearms training record (FD-40). The following grades were attained.

Notebook	
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Shotgun Course #2	20/25
Rifle	76
Machine Gun	90

Specialized Training:

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Branigan:

You closely supervised at the Seat of Government the investigation of the Espionage case involving [redacted] and others in an exemplary manner and I do not want the occasion to pass without expressing my sincere appreciation.

The initiative and competence you exhibited in handling your various responsibilities were of the highest caliber and the success realized in this important case can be attributed immeasurably to your expert direction. It is indeed a pleasure to commend you.

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Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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December 13, 1963

PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

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Dear Mr. Branigan:

It has been determined as a result of a recent inquiry that the supervision afforded by the Soviet Section to a very important investigation was not in keeping with the standards expected by the Bureau in cases of this nature. Specifically, the investigation was not carried out with adequate thoroughness and promptness, a very important interview was unduly delayed and no action was taken to include the subject in an index of persons who are dangerous to the internal security of the nation. As chief of the Soviet Section it was your responsibility to insure that proper supervision was afforded this investigation and it is apparent that this was not done.

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Consequently, you should take appropriate measures to insure that such cases are given adequate attention in the future in order to prevent any further shortcomings.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

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John Edgar Hoover
Director

1 - Mr. Sullivan (Personal Attention)
1 - Domestic Intelligence Division Personnel File
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Based on memorandum J. H. Gale to Mr. Tolson, 12-10-63, JHG:wmj.

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TO : MR. SULLIVAN

DATE: 12-18-63

FROM : MR. BRANIGAN

SUBJECT: WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
SPECIAL AGENT
GS-16

This is to advise that the captioned individual worked on November 25, 1963, in connection with the emergency occasioned by the assassination of the President. The sincere and heartfelt thanks of the Director has been extended.

RECOMMENDATION:

That this be made a matter of the captioned employee's file.

9 hrs, 22 mins.

WAB:hrt

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TO : MR. TOLSON

DATE: December 10, 1963

FROM : J. H. GALE

SUBJECT: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
INTERNAL SECURITY - R
Dallas, Texas

Director instructed that complete analysis be made of any investigative deficiencies in Oswald case and analysis made concerning any necessary changes in our procedures re handling cases of this type -- analysis re procedure changes and dissemination policies handled separately.

RESULTS OF FINDINGS RE INVESTIGATIVE DEFICIENCIES:

It is definitely felt subject Oswald should have been on the Security Index (SI) based on following facts: (This is based solely on information in our files at time of and prior to assassination and does not take into consideration information subsequently developed.) (1) Subject's defection to Russia and statement that he never would return to United States for any reason. (2) Stated he was Marxist and advised Department of State he would furnish Soviets any information he had acquired as Marine Aviation Electronics Expert. Also affirmed in writing allegiance to Soviet Union and said service in Marine Corps gave him chance to observe American imperialism. According to State Department Oswald displayed air of new "Sophomore" Party liner at that time. (3) Upon returning to the United States Oswald displayed cold, arrogant, general uncooperative attitude and refused to take Bureau Polygraph test to determine if he had cooperated with the Soviets or had current intelligence assignment. (4) On 9/28/62 it was learned Oswald was subscribing to "The Worker," east coast Communist newspaper. (5) In April, 1963, learned he had been in contact with Fair Play for Cuba Committee, New York, and passed out pamphlets and had placard around neck reading "Hands Off Cuba - Viva Fidel." (6) Wrote letter June 10, 1963, to "The Worker" asking for literature saying he was forming Fair Play for Cuba Committee in New Orleans and he sent honorary membership to "those fighters for peace" Mr. Gus Hall and Mr. B. Davis (Ben Davis). (7) Arrested August 9, 1963, New Orleans, passing out Fair Play for Cuba pamphlets on street. Shortly thereafter interviewed on radio and said Russia had gone soft on Communism and Cuba only real revolutionary country in world today. (8) Contact with Soviet Embassy, Mexico September and October, 1963.

Field and Seat of Government employees who handled instant case maintain subject did not come within SI criteria. Inspector does not agree, believing that Oswald came within following category: "Investigation has developed information that an individual though not a member of or participant in the activities of subversive organization, has anarchist or revolutionary beliefs and is likely to seize

1 - Mr. Callahan
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upon the opportunity presented by the national emergency to endanger the public safety as shown by overt acts or statements within the last three years, established through reliable sources, informants or individuals."

Upon subject's return from Russia to Texas on 6/14/62, he was interviewed and displayed a recalcitrant attitude. The only investigation conducted was to interview a number of Government officials, three relatives and check with two Communist Party informants. The case was then closed after a second interview with subject by Dallas report dated 8/30/62. No neighborhood or employment sources developed, wife not interviewed, mail covers or other techniques not used to determine whom Oswald in contact with or whether he had intelligence assignment. Inspector feels this limited investigation inadequate. Dallas Agent responsible for delinquencies until 3/26/63 was Special Agent John W. Fain, who is now retired, and no explanations obtained from him.

Dallas reopened case 3/26/63 assigned to Special Agent James P. Hosty, Jr., and supervised by Field Supervisor Kenneth C. Howe. After sending Bureau a letter on 3/25/63 setting out leads to determine Oswald's employment and consider interviewing Oswald's wife, the Bureau was not furnished any information until 8/23/63 and then only after the Bureau had made inquiry of Dallas. It was not until 9/10/63 that Dallas reported subject Oswald subscribed to "The Worker" on 9/28/62 and on April 21, 1933, had been in contact with New York Fair Play for Cuba Committee, advising then that he passed out Fair Play for Cuba pamphlets and had placard around neck reading "Hands Off Cuba - Viva Fidel." Relief Supervisor James W. Anderton advised he receive information from New York concerning subject's subscription to "The Worker" and took no action except to route it to former Agent Fain. He advised he did not feel this information warranted reopening case. Inspector does not agree, but feels in light of subject's defection, case should have been reopened at first indication of communist sympathy or activity.

Special Agent Hosty advised that New York did not report Oswald's 4/21/63 Fair Play for Cuba contact to Dallas until letter sent 6/27/63 and Dallas did not feel it necessary to report it to Bureau until 9/10/63. Hosty admits it "possibly" would have been better to have reported on this matter earlier.

Special Agent Francis I. Lundquist, New York, handled this matter and states information was received from anonymous source and that because of heavy volume of such material he handled urgent matters first and finished entire processing at approximately the end of June, 1963.

Supervisor Harold A. Hoeg, New York, makes similar explanation. Inspector feels 66-day delay from 4/21/63 to 6/27/63 entirely too long to process such material, particularly inasmuch as New York in no position to determine value of some of this material to other offices who have active cases opened on individuals concerned.

Hosty advised Dallas considered the most important aspect of this case the interview of Oswald's wife and did not deem it advisable to interview her in March, 1963, because they developed information that Oswald drinking to excess and beat up wife on several occasions. Hosty stated that they allowed a 60-day "cooling-off period" and then couldn't locate Oswald or his wife until New Orleans located them in New Orleans and advised Dallas on 7/17/63. No instructions given New Orleans to interview Mrs. Oswald.

Hosty advised that after Oswald's return to Dallas was verified on 11/1/63 no interview was conducted of Mrs. Oswald because Dallas awaiting information from New Orleans. Hosty advised investigation was designed to avoid having Oswald's wife "gain the impression she was being harassed or hounded because of her immigrant status in order that the interview when conducted might be as productive as possible."

Inspector feels this entire facet of investigation mishandled. Mrs. Oswald definitely should have been interviewed and Inspector feels best time to get information from her would be after she was beaten up by her husband as it is felt she would be far more likely to cooperate when angry at Oswald than otherwise.

On 11/1/63 Dallas determined from Mrs. Ruth Paine that Oswald working at the Texas School Book Depository (place from which assassination shot fired by Oswald). Mrs. Paine unaware of Oswald's residence but stated Oswald's wife living with her. SA Hosty states he made pretext telephone call to Oswald's place of employment and was told Oswald residing with Mrs. Paine. Not recorded in file. On 11/5/63 Mrs Paine recontacted and unable to furnish information as to Oswald's residence address, but stated Oswald had visited his wife at Paine's house on 11/2 and 3/63. At this point Dallas held investigation in abeyance and no further investigation made until assassination.

SA Hosty explained that he held investigation in abeyance to be certain he was in possession of all information from New Orleans so he could possibly interview Mrs. Oswald and conduct further investigation. He was aware as of 10/8/63 that Oswald had been in contact with the Soviet Embassy in Mexico City but felt because Oswald was employed in nonstrategic position where he would not have access to information important to national defense that he was justified in holding investigation in abeyance. Inspector definitely does not agree. New Orleans submitted 16-page report 10/31/63 and only leads outstanding in New Orleans were to ascertain Oswald's whereabouts. No indication New Orleans had any further data and New Orleans RUC'd case by form 11/19/63. Even if New Orleans had not reported all information in their possession, Dallas should have intensified investigation in light of Oswald's contact with Soviet Embassy and not held investigation in abeyance. Supervisor Kenneth Howe advised he

discussed above investigative steps with Hosty and concurred with the manner in which handled. Both Hosty and Howe did not feel Oswald made Security Index criteria.

Washington Field Office airtel of 11/19/63 reporting contact of Oswald with Soviet Embassy, Washington, on 11/18/63, received by Dallas on 11/22/63. No delinquency here and it will also be noted that Dallas was aware Oswald in contact with Soviet authorities in Mexico on 10/18/63.

Lead set out by Dallas in March 25, 1963, letter for Dallas to determine present employment of Oswald and, thereafter, determine whether wife should be interviewed. This was not followed by Bureau for approximately five months until 8/21/63 when Dallas was asked about this lead after subject arrested in New Orleans for distributing Fair Play for Cuba pamphlets. Seat of Government Supervisor W. Marvin Gheesling states additional investigation not conducted until subject arrested for Fair Play for Cuba activity inasmuch as he reviewed investigation and evaluated that subject was not engaged in activities inimical to the United States. Gheesling states did not feel interview of subject's wife warranted and did not feel case should be reopened at Bureau on 3/25/63 merely to follow Dallas re consideration of interviewing wife. Gheesling advised he did not feel subject's activities came within purview of SI criteria.

It will also be noted that stop placed against subject in Identification Division which was removed by Gheesling on 10/9/63 after subject arrested in New Orleans for Fair Play for Cuba Committee on 8/9/63. Gheesling advised stop was placed in event subject returned from Russia under an assumed name and was inadvertently not removed by him on 9/7/62 when case closed. Inspector feels Gheesling in error in removing stop on subject in Ident on 10/9/63, particularly after arrest on 8/9/63 for Fair Play for Cuba Committee activity in New Orleans. We might have missed further arrests without stop in Ident. Inspector also feels Gheesling erred in not having additional investigation conducted when subject returned to United States and Gheesling wrong in not having subject placed on SI.

Instant case supervised at Seat of Government by Nationalities Intelligence Section regarding Fair Play for Cuba aspects and the Espionage Section regarding defection aspects and contact with Soviet Embassy in Mexico. Seat of Government Supervisor Lambert L. Anderson supervised the Fair Play for Cuba aspects of this case from 8/16 until 10/31/63. He failed to have Oswald put on the SI in spite of considerable Fair Play for Cuba activity coupled with soviet defection background. In explanation he claims he did not feel Oswald met criteria for inclusion on SI.

On 10/10/63 Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) sent teletype to Bureau advising Oswald in contact with Soviet Embassy in Mexico City. This was routed to Supervisor Elbert T. Turner of the Espionage Section to whom case then assigned, who initialled same for file and took no action. By cablegram 10/18/63 Legat, Mexico City, advised they received instant information that day from CIA, Mexico City. Legat asked Bureau to send pertinent background to Mexico City and advise interested offices. 10/18/63 cablegram received Bureau Saturday 10/19/63 by Supervisor Leonard M. Linton and reply not made to Mexico City until Tuesday P.M., 10/22/63. Linton advised he routed this material with main file to Turner and conferred with Turner on 10/21/63. States because of pressure of the other work on Turner's desk, Linton prepared outgoing communication for Mexico City, New Orleans, and Washington Field Office on 10/22/63. Linton explains he did not consider Oswald for SI at that time because he did not feel Oswald met criteria. Inspector feels Linton shares in responsibility for delay in answering Legat's cablegram of 10/18/63 and is in error for not having Oswald on SI.

SOG Supervisor Turner failed to take any action on CIA teletype of 10/10/63, advising subject made contact with Soviet Embassy, Mexico City, stating it did not appear to him any action warranted. Legat by cablegram 10/18/63 received these data from CIA, Mexico, and had to ask Bureau for background information and tell Bureau to advise interested offices. Inspector feels Turner should have done this on 10/10/63 and also instructed field to intensify investigation in light of Oswald's contacting Soviet Embassy, Mexico. Turner also failed to put subject on SI, stating he did not feel Oswald met criteria. Turner advised that although case assigned to him since 10/10/63 he did not review file until after assassination stating he had general idea of background of case. He explained that his preoccupation with Dunlap Espionage Case precluded his reviewing complete file. Section Chief William A. Branigan advised Turner not over-assigned. During October, Turner supervising 104 cases with voluntary overtime 2'34". Instant case would have required approximately one to two hours to completely review.

SA Milton Kaack handled case in New Orleans from 7/18/63. No report submitted until 10/31/63. Bureau not advised until report of 10/31/63 that Oswald wrote to "The Worker" on June 10, 1963, requesting literature to assist him in establishing Fair Play for Cuba Committee in New Orleans, and sent honorary membership cards for Ben Davis and Gus Hall. Kaack advised that although investigative period extended from 7/23 through 10/25/63, continuous attention was afforded this case.

SAC Maynor supervised case and shares responsibility for delay in advising Bureau; also failed to put on Security Index, saying they did not feel subject met criteria.

Memo for Mr. Tolson
Re: Lee Harvey Oswald

OBSERVATIONS:

As indicated above, there were a number of investigative and reporting delinquencies in the handling of the Oswald case. Oswald should have been on the Security Index; his wife should have been interviewed before the assassination, and investigation intensified - not held in abeyance - after Oswald contacted Soviet Embassy in Mexico. It was handled by two different Sections in the Domestic Intelligence Division, i.e., Nationalities Intelligence and Espionage. While Section Chiefs Wannall and Branigan did not see instant file or participate in the supervision of this case, it is felt that they have certain over-all responsibility for properly indoctrinating and training subordinate supervisory personnel and should be censured. This also applied to Inspector Donald E. Moore, who heads the Espionage - Research Branch, and Assistant Director William C. Sullivan.

Likewise, SACs Curtis O. Lynum, assigned Dallas until 4/24/63 and J. Gordon Shanklin, assigned Dallas since 4/22/63, did not have an opportunity to review instant file. However, it is felt that they have over-all responsibility for properly training and indoctrinating subordinate personnel and should be censured.

Concerning the administrative action recommended hereinafter, there is the possibility that the Presidential Commission investigating instant matter will subpoena the investigating Agents. If this occurs, the possibility then exists that the Agents may be questioned concerning whether administrative action had been taken against them. However, it is felt these possibilities are sufficiently remote that the recommended action should go forward at this time. It appears unlikely at this time that the Commission's subpoenas would go down to the Agent level.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. James P. Hosty, Jr. (Veteran), Dallas - Censure and probation for inadequate investigation including earlier interview of Oswald's wife, delayed reporting, failure to put subject on Security Index, and for holding investigation in abeyance after being in receipt of information that subject had been in contact with Soviet Embassy, Mexico City. If approved, to be handled by the Administrative Division.

2. Field Supervisor Kenneth C. Howe (Nonveteran), Dallas - Censure and probation for failing to insure that case more fully investigated and reported, for not placing subject on the Security Index and for concurring in decision to hold investigation in abeyance. If approved, to be handled by the Administrative Division.

3. James W. Anderton (Veteran), Dallas - Censure for failing to have Oswald case reopened after Dallas informed that he subscribed to "The Worker," east coast Communist newspaper, 9/28/62. If approved, to be handled by the Administrative Division.

4. Francis I. Lundquist (Veteran), New York - Censure for failing to promptly disseminate Fair Play for Cuba information to Dallas concerning subject Oswald. If approved, to be handled by the Administrative Division.

5. Harold A. Hoeg (Veteran), New York - Censure for failure to insure that Fair Play for Cuba information concerning Oswald more promptly disseminated to Dallas. If approved, to be handled by the Administrative Division.

6. Milton R. Kaack (Nonveteran), New Orleans - Censure for delayed reporting and failure to put on Security Index. If approved, to be handled by the Administrative Division.

7. SACs Curtis O. Lynum and J. Gordon Shanklin (both Nonveteran) (Lynum in San Francisco - Shanklin in Dallas) - Censure for over-all responsibility in this matter. If approved, Administrative Division to handle.

8. SAC Harry G. Maynor (Nonveteran), New Orleans - Censure for failing to insure that there was no delay in reporting this matter and for failing to put subject on the Security Index.

9. Seat of Government Supervisor W. Marvin Gheesling (Veteran) - Censure and probation for failing to instruct the field to conduct background investigation concerning Oswald, upon Oswald's return from Russia; failing to have Oswald's wife interviewed; also for removing stop on Oswald in Ident on 10/9/63; failing to put Oswald on Security Index and for not reopening Bureau file to follow on Dallas after Dallas sent out letter on 3/25/63 to consider interview of Oswald's wife. If approved, to be handled by the Administrative Division.

10. Seat of Government Supervisor Elbert T. Turner (nonveteran) - Censure and probation for failing to take action on CIA teletype 10/10/63; failing to completely review file until after assassination; failing to instruct field to press more vigorously after subject made contact with Soviet Embassy, Mexico, and failure to have subject placed on Security Index. If approved, to be handled by the Administrative Division.

11. Seat of Government Supervisor Lambert L. Anderson (Veteran) - Censure for failing to place Oswald on Security Index, in spite of considerable Fair Play for Cuba Committee activity coupled with previous Soviet defection background.

12. Seat of Government Supervisor Leonard M. Linton (Veteran) - Censure for delay in handling incoming 10/18/63 cablegram from Mexico City and for not putting subject on Security Index.

13. Section Chiefs W. Raymond Wannall, Jr.; William A. Branigan; Inspector Donald E. Moore, and Assistant Director W. C. Sullivan (all Nonveterans) - Censure for over-all responsibility in this matter.

 SEE ADDENDUM ON PAGE 11

With respect to the individuals listed above who are veterans, they have had more than a year of Bureau service. Accordingly, they should be entitled to 30 days' written notice in the event they should be involuntarily separated, reduced in grade or salary or suspended for more than 30 days. They would also have a right of appeal to the Civil Service Commission for any of these actions.

Statements of the following individuals are attached: W. Marvin Gheesling, L. L. Anderson, E. T. Turner, Leonard M. Linton, H. G. Maynor (SAC), Milton R. Kaack, as well as statements of the personnel involved who are assigned to the Dallas Office. In addition, copies of explanations of Lundquist and Hoeg are attached.

PERSONNEL BRIEFS OF HOSTY, HOWE, ANDERTON, LUNDQUIST, HOEG, KAACK, GHEESLING, ANDERSON, TURNER AND LINTON ATTACHED

Memorandum Mr. Gale to Mr. Tolson
Re: LEE HARVEY OSWALD
INTERNAL SECURITY - R

ADDENDUM: C. D. DeLoach:hif 12/10/63

I recommend that the suggested disciplinary action be held in abeyance until the findings of the Presidential Commission have been made public. This action is recommended inasmuch as any "leak" to the general public, or particularly to the communications media, concerning the FBI taking disciplinary action against its personnel with respect to captioned matter would be assumed as a direct admission that we are responsible for negligence which might have resulted in the assassination of the President. At the present time there are so many wild rumors, gossip, and speculation that even the slightest hint to outsiders concerning disciplinary action of this nature would result in considerable adverse reaction against the FBI. I do not believe that any of our personnel will be subpoenaed. Chief Justice Warren has indicated he plans to issue no subpoenaes. There is, however, the possibility that the public will learn of disciplinary action being taken against our personnel and, therefore, start a bad, unjustifiable reaction.

ADDENDUM (AHB:csh),12/10/63:

It is significant to note that all of the supervisors and officials who came into contact with this case at the seat of government, as well as agents in the field, are unanimous in the opinion that Oswald did not meet the criteria for the Security Index. If this is so, it would appear that the criteria are not sufficiently specific to include a case such as Oswald's and, rather than take the position that all of these employees were mistaken in their judgment, the criteria should be changed. This has now been recommended by Assistant Director Gale.

Aside from the above, I agree with Mr. DeLoach's observations.

A.H.Belmont

December 19, 1963

PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Branigan:

Your efforts with regard to the preparation of the report and brief subsequent to the assassination of the President were of the highest caliber and I am taking this opportunity to commend you.

The devotion to duty you displayed in voluntarily sacrificing your personal convenience in order to help on these complicated projects was particularly noteworthy. I was pleased with your effective and skillful handling of your responsibilities and I want you to know of my appreciation.

Sincerely yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

1 - Mr. Sullivan (Personal Attention) 67-219505-261

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REPORT OF MEDICAL EXAMINATION

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1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME	2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION	3. IDENTIFICATION NO.
BRANICAN, William Aloysius	SP. AGT. - T-BE	
4. HOME ADDRESS (*Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State*)	5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION	6. DATE OF EXAMINATION
	ANNUAL Physical	11-15-63

7. SEX	8.	9. TOTAL YEARS GOVERNMENT SERVICE		10. AGENCY	11. ORGANIZATION UNIT
		MILITARY	CIVILIAN		
M	WHITE				

12. DATE OF BIRTH	13. PLACE OF BIRTH	14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
3-23-16	ALBANY, N.Y.	

15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS	16. OTHER INFORMATION
NNMC	

17. RATING OR SPECIALTY	TIME IN THIS CAPACITY (*Total*)	LAST SIX MONTHS

CLINICAL EVALUATION

NORMAL	(*Check each item in appropriate column; enter "NE" if not evaluated.*)	ABNORMAL
	18. HEAD, FACE, NECK, AND SCALP	
	19. NOSE	
	20. SINUSES	
	21. MOUTH AND THROAT	
	22. EARS—GENERAL (*Int. & ext. canals*) (*Auditory acuity under items 70 and 71*)	
	23. DRUMS (*Perforation*)	
	24. EYES—GENERAL (*Visual acuity and refraction under items 59, 60 and 67*)	
	25. OPHTHALMOSCOPIC	
	26. PUPILS (*Equality and reaction*)	
	27. OCULAR MOTILITY (*Associated parallel movements, nystagmus*)	
	28. LUNGS AND CHEST (*Include breasts*)	
	29. HEART (*Thrust, size, rhythm, sounds*)	✓
	30. VASCULAR SYSTEM (*Varicosities, etc.*)	
	31. ABDOMEN AND VISCERA (*Include hernia*)	
	32. ANUS AND RECTUM (*Hemorrhoids, fistulae*) (*Prostate, if indicated*)	
	33. ENDOCRINE SYSTEM	
	34. G-U SYSTEM	
	35. UPPER EXTREMITIES (*Strength, range of motion*)	
	36. FEET	
	37. LOWER EXTREMITIES (*Except feet*) (*Strength, range of motion*)	
	38. SPINE, OTHER MUSCULOSKELETAL	
	39. IDENTIFYING BODY MARKS, SCARS, TATTOOS	
	40. SKIN, LYMPHATICS	
	41. NEUROLOGIC (*Equilibrium tests under item 72*)	
	42. PSYCHIATRIC (*Specify any personality deviation*)	
	43. PELVIC (*Females only*) (*Check how done*) ☐ VAGINAL ☐ RECTAL	

NOTES. (*Describe every abnormality in detail. Enter pertinent item number before each comment. Continue in item 73 and use additional sheets if necessary.*)

2 ENCLOSURE (1)

29. Short, soft gr I murmur mid systolic, over the aortic area and along the Rt. Sternal border. Murmur varies with both position and respiration. No antecedent or concurrent hx of C-P or C-V symptoms. Remainder of Cardiac Exam. normal. Impr: Functional Murmur

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(*Continue in item 73*)

44. DENTAL (*Place appropriate symbols above or below number of upper and lower teeth, respectively.*)

O—*Restorable teeth* | *I—Nonrestorable teeth* | *X—Missing teeth* | *XXX—Replaced by dentures* | *(6 X 8)—Fixed bridge, brackets to include abutments*

RIGHT	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	LEFT
	O	31	30	29	28	27	26	25	24	23	22	21	20	19	18	17	

REMARKS AND ADDITIONAL DENTAL DEFECTS AND DISEASES

Type 3
Class 2
Caries as noted.
No missing teeth

LABORATORY FINDINGS

45. URINALYSIS: A. SPECIFIC GRAVITY	1.024	46. CHEST X-RAY (*Place, date, film number and result*)
B. ALBUMIN	Neg.	20914-63 Normal chest.
C. SUGAR	Neg.	

47. SEROLOGY (*Specify test used and result*)	48. EKG	49. BLOOD TYPE AND RH FACTOR	50. OTHER TESTS
35DEC101964 Neg	WNL		3/pz

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MEASUREMENTS AND OTHER FINDINGS

51. HEIGHT	52. WEIGHT	53. COLOR HAIR	54. COLOR EYES	55. BUILD:	56. TEMPERATURE
71 1/2	172	Black	Brown	☐ SLENDER ☐ MEDIUM ☒ HEAVY ☐ OBESE	

57. BLOOD PRESSURE (*Arm at heart level*)						58. PULSE (*Arm at heart level*)				
A. SITTING	SYS. 150 / DIAS. 86	B. RECUMBENT	SYS. / DIAS.	C. STANDING (*5 min.*)	SYS. / DIAS.	A. SITTING 86	B. AFTER EXERCISE	C. 2 MIN. AFTER	D. RECUMBENT	E. AFTER STANDING 3 MIN.

59. DISTANT VISION		60. REFRACTION			61. 75 cm NEAR VISION	
RIGHT 20/ 40	CORR. TO 20/ 20	BY Bens	S.	OX	24/10 CORR. TO	BY
LEFT 20/ 40	CORR. TO 20/ 20	BY Bens	S.	OX	24/8 CORR. TO	BY

62. HETEROPHORIA (*Specify distance*)

ES°	EX°	R. H.	L. H.	PRISM DIV.	PRISM CONV. CT	PC	PD

63. ACCOMMODATION		64. COLOR VISION (*Test used and result*)	65. DEPTH PERCEPTION (*Test used and score*)	UNCORRECTED
RIGHT	LEFT	AOC/940 18/18		CORRECTED
66. FIELD OF VISION		67. NIGHT VISION (*Test used and score*)	68. RED LENS TEST	69. INTRAOCULAR TENSION

70. HEARING			71. AUDIOMETER								72. PSYCHOLOGICAL AND PSYCHOMOTOR (*Tests used and score*)
RIGHT WV	15/15 SV	15/15		250 256	500 512	1000 1024	2000 2048	3000 2896	4000 4096	6000 6144	8000 8192	
LEFT WV	15/15 SV	15/15	RIGHT									
			LEFT									

73. NOTES (*Continued*) AND SIGNIFICANT OR INTERVAL HISTORY

(*Use additional sheets if necessary*)

74 SUMMARY OF DEFECTS AND DIAGNOSES (*List diagnoses with item numbers*)

75. RECOMMENDATIONS—FURTHER SPECIALIST EXAMINATIONS INDICATED (*Specify*)

76. A. PHYSICAL PROFILE

P	U	L	H	E	S

77. EXAMINEE (*Check*)

A. ☑ IS QUALIFIED FOR
B. ☐ IS NOT QUALIFIED FOR

B. PHYSICAL CATEGORY

78. IF NOT QUALIFIED, LIST DISQUALIFYING DEFECTS BY ITEM NUMBER

A	B	C	E

79. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN [redacted] SIGNATURE H D Palmer

80. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN SIGNATURE

81. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF DENTIST OR PHYSICIAN (*Indicate which*) SIGNATURE

82. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF REVIEWING OFFICER OR APPROVING AUTHORITY SIGNATURE [redacted] NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS

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REPORT OF MEDICAL HISTORY

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F.B.I.

1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME	2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION	3. IDENTIFICATION NO.
BRANIGAN William Aloysius	SPECIAL AGENT	

4. HOME ADDRESS (Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State)	5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION	6. DATE OF EXAMINATION
		11-15-63

7. SEX	8. RACE	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE: MILITARY	CIVILIAN	10. DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, OR SERVICE	11. ORGANIZATION UNIT
MALE	WHITE				

12. DATE OF BIRTH	13. PLACE OF BIRTH	14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
MARCH 23, 1916	ALBANY, N.Y	

15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS	16. OTHER INFORMATION

17. STATEMENT OF EXAMINEE'S PRESENT HEALTH IN OWN WORDS. *(Follow by description of past history, if complaint exists)*

EXCELLENT

18. FAMILY HISTORY

RELATION	AGE	STATE OF HEALTH	IF DEAD, CAUSE OF DEATH	AGE AT DEATH
FATHER			CORONARY	80+
MOTHER	87	GOOD		
SPOUSE	45	GOOD		
BROTHERS AND SISTERS	49	GOOD		
	45	GOOD		
CHILDREN	20	EXCELLENT		
	16	EXCELLENT		
	11	EXCELLENT		
	9	EXCELLENT		
	5	EXCELLENT		

19. HAS ANY BLOOD RELATION *(Parent, brother, sister, other)* OR HUSBAND OR WIFE:

YES	NO	(Check each item)	RELATION(S)
	✓	HAD TUBERCULOSIS	
	✓	HAD SYPHILIS	
	✓	HAD DIABETES	
✓		HAD CANCER	MOTHER
		HAD KIDNEY TROUBLE	
	✓	HAD HEART TROUBLE	
	✓	HAD STOMACH TROUBLE	
	✓	HAD RHEUMATISM *(Arthritis)*	MOTHER
	✓	HAD ASTHMA, HAY FEVER, HIVES	
	✓	HAD EPILEPSY *(Fits)*	
	✓	COMMITTED SUICIDE	
	✓	BEEN INSANE	

20. HAVE YOU EVER HAD OR HAVE YOU NOW *(Place check at left of each item)*

YES	NO	(Check each item)	YES	NO	(Check each item)	YES	NO	(Check each item)	YES	NO	(Check each item)
	✓	SCARLET FEVER, ERYSIPELAS		✓	GOITER	✓		TUMOR, GROWTH, CYST OR CANCER		✓	"TRICK" OR LOCKED KNEE
	✓	DIPHTHERIA		✓	TUBERCULOSIS		✓	RUPTURE		✓	FOOT TROUBLE
	✓	RHEUMATIC FEVER		✓	SOAKING SWEATS *(Night sweats)*	✓		APPENDICITIS		✓	NEURITIS
	✓	SWOLLEN OR PAINFUL JOINTS		✓	ASTHMA	✓		PILES OR RECTAL DISEASE		✓	PARALYSIS *(Inc. infantile)*
✓		MUMPS		✓	SHORTNESS OF BREATH		✓	FREQUENT OR PAINFUL URINATION		✓	EPILEPSY OR FITS
✓		WHOOPING COUGH		✓	PAIN OR PRESSURE IN CHEST		✓	KIDNEY STONE OR BLOOD IN URINE		✓	CAR, TRAIN, SEA, OR AIR SICKNESS
	✓	FREQUENT OR SEVERE HEADACHE		✓	CHRONIC COUGH		✓	SUGAR OR ALBUMIN IN URINE		✓	FREQUENT TROUBLE SLEEPING
	✓	DIZZINESS OR FAINTING SPELLS		✓	PALPITATION OR POUNDING HEART		✓	BOILS		✓	FREQUENT OR TERRIFYING NIGHTMARES
	✓	EYE TROUBLE		✓	HIGH OR LOW BLOOD PRESSURE		✓	VENEREAL DISEASE		✓	DEPRESSION OR EXCESSIVE WORRY
	✓	EAR, NOSE OR THROAT TROUBLE		✓	CRAMPS IN YOUR LEGS		✓	RECENT GAIN OR LOSS OF WEIGHT		✓	LOSS OF MEMORY OR AMNESIA
	✓	RUNNING EARS		✓	FREQUENT INDIGESTION		✓	ARTHRITIS OR RHEUMATISM		✓	BED WETTING
	✓	CHRONIC OR FREQUENT COLDS		✓	STOMACH, LIVER OR INTESTINAL TROUBLE		✓	BONE, JOINT, OR OTHER DEFORMITY		✓	NERVOUS TROUBLE OF ANY SORT
	✓	SEVERE TOOTH OR GUM TROUBLE		✓	GALL BLADDER TROUBLE OR GALL STONES		✓	LAMENESS		✓	ANY DRUG OR NARCOTIC HABIT
✓		SINUSITIS		✓	JAUNDICE		✓	LOSS OF ARM, LEG, FINGER, OR TOE		✓	EXCESSIVE DRINKING HABIT
	✓	HAY FEVER		✓	ANY REACTION TO SERUM, DRUG OR MEDICINE		✓	PAINFUL OR "TRICK" SHOULDER OR ELBOW		✓	HOMOSEXUAL TENDENCIES

21. HAVE YOU EVER *(Check each item)*					
✓		WORN GLASSES		✓	ATTEMPTED SUICIDE
	✓	WORN AN ARTIFICIAL EYE		✓	BEEN A SLEEP WALKER
	✓	WORN HEARING AIDS		✓	LIVED WITH ANYONE WHO HAD TUBERCULOSIS
	✓	STUTTERED OR STAMMERED		✓	COUGHED UP BLOOD
	✓	WORN A BRACE OR BACK SUPPORT		✓	BLED EXCESSIVELY AFTER INJURY OR TOOTH EXTRACTION

22. FEMALES ONLY: A. HAVE YOU EVER—		B. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:	
	BEEN PREGNANT		AGE AT ONSET OF MENSTRUATION
	HAD A VAGINAL DISCHARGE		INTERVAL BETWEEN PERIODS
	BEEN TREATED FOR A FEMALE DISORDER		DURATION OF PERIODS
	HAD PAINFUL MENSTRUATION		DATE OF LAST PERIOD
	HAD IRREGULAR MENSTRUATION	QUANTITY: ☐ NORMAL ☐ EXCESSIVE ☐ SCANTY	

23. HOW MANY JOBS HAVE YOU HAD IN THE PAST THREE YEARS?	24. WHAT IS THE LONGEST PERIOD YOU HELD ANY OF THESE JOBS?	25. WHAT IS YOUR USUAL OCCUPATION?	26. ARE YOU *(Check one)*
1	MONTHS 22 YRS	SP. AGT. - FBI	☐ RIGHT HANDED ☒ LEFT HANDED

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YES	NO	CHECK EACH ITEM YES OR NO. EVERY ITEM CHECKED "YES" MUST BE FULLY EXPLAINED IN BLANK SPACE ON RIGHT	
	✓	27. HAVE YOU BEEN UNABLE TO HOLD A JOB BECAUSE OF: A. SENSITIVITY TO CHEMICALS, DUST, SUNLIGHT, ETC.	
	✓	B. INABILITY TO PERFORM CERTAIN MOTIONS	
	✓	C. INABILITY TO ASSUME CERTAIN POSITIONS	
	✓	D. OTHER MEDICAL REASONS (*If yes, give reasons*)	
	✓	28. HAVE YOU EVER WORKED WITH RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCE?	
	✓	29. DID YOU HAVE DIFFICULTY WITH SCHOOL STUDIES OR TEACHERS? (*If yes, give details*)	
	✓	30. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REFUSED EMPLOYMENT BECAUSE OF YOUR HEALTH? (*If yes, state reason and give details*)	
	✓	31. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DENIED LIFE INSURANCE? (*If yes, state reason and give details*)	
✓		32. HAVE YOU HAD, OR HAVE YOU BEEN ADVISED TO HAVE, ANY OPERATIONS? (*If yes, describe and give age at which occurred*)	APPENDECTOMY 29 YRS.
	✓	33. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN A PATIENT (*committed or voluntary*) IN A MENTAL HOSPITAL OR SANATORIUM? (*If yes, specify when, where, why, and name of doctor, and complete address of hospital or clinic*)	
	✓	34. HAVE YOU EVER HAD ANY ILLNESS OR INJURY OTHER THAN THOSE ALREADY NOTED? (*If yes, specify when, where, and give details*)	
	✓	35. HAVE YOU CONSULTED OR BEEN TREATED BY CLINICS, PHYSICIANS, HEALERS, OR OTHER PRACTITIONERS WITHIN THE PAST 5 YEARS? (*If yes, give complete address of doctor, hospital, clinic, and details*)	
	✓	36. HAVE YOU TREATED YOURSELF FOR ILLNESSES OTHER THAN MINOR COLDS? (*If yes, which illnesses*)	
	✓	37. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REJECTED FOR MILITARY SERVICE BECAUSE OF PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR OTHER REASONS? (*If yes, give date and reason for rejection*)	
	✓	38. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DISCHARGED FROM MILITARY SERVICE BECAUSE OF PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR OTHER REASONS? (*If yes, give date, reason, and type of discharge: whether honorable, other than honorable, for unfitness or unsuitability*)	
	✓	39. HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED, IS THERE PENDING, HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR, OR DO YOU INTEND TO APPLY FOR PENSION OR COMPENSATION FOR EXISTING DISABILITY? (*If yes, specify what kind, granted by whom, and what amount, when, why*)	

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE REVIEWED THE FOREGOING INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY ME AND THAT IT IS TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.
I AUTHORIZE ANY OF THE DOCTORS, HOSPITALS, OR CLINICS MENTIONED ABOVE TO FURNISH THE GOVERNMENT A COMPLETE TRANSCRIPT OF MY MEDICAL RECORD FOR PURPOSES OF PROCESSING MY APPLICATION FOR THIS EMPLOYMENT OR SERVICE.

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF EXAMINEE	SIGNATURE
WILLIAM A. BRANICAN	William A. Branican

40. PHYSICIAN'S SUMMARY AND ELABORATION OF ALL PERTINENT DATA (*Physician shall comment on all positive answers in items 20 thru 39*)

All Items WNL

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN OR EXAMINE	DATE	SIGNATURE	NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS
		H D Lacy	

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Attachment to Standard Form 88, Report of Medical Examination

For Information and Guidance of Medical Examiner

Name of Examinee (Type or print) BRANICAN (Last) WILLIAM (First) A (Middle)

The following portions of the attached examination report form need not be completed:

2	14	68
3	17	69
4	62	72
9	65	76
11	67	

46. Is necessary unless facilities for affording same are not readily available.

48. Not required unless examinee is over 35 years of age or examination indicates such is desirable.

49. Is necessary unless facilities for affording same are not readily available.

71. Audiometer examinations should be afforded whenever possible for all Special Agent applicants and Special Agents. Applicants for the Special Agent position will not be accepted if the hearing loss exceeds a 15 decibel average in each ear in the conversational speech range (500, 1000, 2000 cycles).

For All Examinees, Whether Clerical or Special Agent Applicants or Employees:

The medical examiner should answer the following question:

Examinee ☑ is ☐ is not qualified for strenuous physical exertion.

To be Answered in the Case of All Male Employees and Male Applicants:

1. Does examinee have any defects restricting or prohibiting his participation in defensive tactics and dangerous assignments which might entail the practical use of firearms?

   ☑ No ☐ Yes If "yes" please specify defects. _____

2. Does examinee have any defects prohibiting safe operation of motor vehicles?

   ☑ No ☐ Yes If "yes" please specify defects. _____

3. For safe driving of motor vehicles, Civil Service Commission requires distant vision must test at least 20/40 in one eye and 20/100 in the other, corrected or uncorrected. Should examinee wear corrective glasses while operating a motor vehicle? ☐ Yes ☑ No
   If recommendation is based on a factor other than above standard, indicate basis _____

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Desirable Weight Ranges for Males

Height	Small Frame	Medium Frame	Large Frame
5' 4"	117 - 125	123 - 135	131 - 148
5' 5"	120 - 129	126 - 139	134 - 152
5' 6"	124 - 133	130 - 143	138 - 157
5' 7"	128 - 137	134 - 148	143 - 162
5' 8"	132 - 141	138 - 152	147 - 166
5' 9"	136 - 146	142 - 156	151 - 170
5' 10"	140 - 150	146 - 161	155 - 175
5' 11"	144 - 154	150 - 166	160 - 180
6'	148 - 158	154 - 171	164 - 185
6' 1"	152 - 163	158 - 176	169 - 190
6' 2"	156 - 167	163 - 181	174 - 195
6' 3"	160 - 171	168 - 186	178 - 200
6' 4"	169 - 180	178 - 196	188 - 210
6' 5"	174 - 185	182 - 202	192 - 216

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4. Examinee's frame is ☐ small ☐ medium ☒ large

5. Considering above weight table, the examinee's frame, and other individual physical characteristics, I consider his present weight ☒ Satisfactory ☐ Excessive ☐ Deficient

6. Under proper medical supervision, examinee should ☐ lose _____ pounds
☐ gain _____ pounds

Remarks: _____

H D Palmer Jr
(Signature of Medical Examiner)

15 Nov 63
(Date)

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GSA GEN. REG. NO. 27
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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

1 - Mr. Belmont
1 - Mr. Sullivan
1 - Administrative Div.

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TO : W. C. Sullivan

DATE: 1-2-64

FROM : D. E. Moore

DECLASSIFICATION AUTHORITY DERIVED FROM:
FBI AUTOMATIC DECLASSIFICATION GUIDE
DATE 12-06-2011

SUBJECT: SA WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
DOMESTIC INTELLIGENCE DIVISION
SOVIET SECTION
(U) ERROR IN CORRESPONDENCE

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Under date of December 27, 1963, the Reading Room noted that the words "affects" and "affect" should have been "effects" and "effect" as appeared in correspondence addressed to Assistant Attorney General J. Walter Yeagley on the subject of [redacted] Espionage - R.

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The correspondence in question was prepared by SA Branigan and he is responsible for the error. The stenographer was [redacted] and an error form is being scored to her.

ACTION:

This should be forwarded to the Administrative Division so that a letter of censure can be directed to SA Branigan, calling his attention to the need for accuracy and pertinent detail.

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2 JAN 8 1964

WAB:mhw
(4) mhw

Let of Censure sent 1-6-64 HNB/skd

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67-219505-264	William A. Branigan

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TO : Mr. Callahan DATE: 4-6-64

FROM : C. R. Davidson

SUBJECT: SA WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
Section Chief - Soviet Section
Domestic Intelligence Division
EOD 7-14-41; GS-16, $17,500

The following is a summary of Mr. Branigan's record for the Director's use.

He entered on duty 7-14-41. He served in Los Angeles and San Francisco, and transferred to the Domestic Intelligence Division on 8-13-47. In 1948 he was serving as #1 Man to the Chief of the Espionage Section and on 10-23-51 he was designated Chief of the Espionage Unit. He is 48 years old, a native of Albany, New York, married, and has 5 sons.

While serving as Chief of the Espionage Unit in Grades GS-13 and GS-14, he was COMMENDED 3 times and CENSURED 7 times. He was Promoted to Grade GS-15 effective 2-28-54 and on 2-26-54 personally thanked the Director for his promotion. While serving as Section Chief Grade GS-15, he was COMMENDED 12 times and CENSURED 9 times, and received CENSURE and PROBATION on 9-16-58 because of the activities of Special Agent Supervisors in his Section who had been discovered engaged in improper practices after they had officially signed the attendance registers. On 11-12-58 he was Continued on Probation as a result of weaknesses discovered during the inspection of the Domestic Intelligence Division. He was REMOVED FROM PROBATION on 3-11-59 after a recheck inspection conducted by Inspector Malone in 2/59, revealed that the weaknesses in his Section had been corrected.

He was Promoted to Grade GS-16, Section Chief effective 6-14-60, and on 6-15-60 the Director saw him when he called to express his appreciation for his promotion to GS-16. The Director stated he made a good, substantial appearance, seemed to be sincere in his work and rated him above average. This was the last occasion he has seen the Director.

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Since serving as Section Chief, Grade GS-16, he has been COMMENDED 7 times, the last being 12-19-63 for his efforts with regard to the preparation of the report and brief subsequent to the assassination of President Kennedy. On his 1962 annual performance report, Inspector D. W. Moore rated him OUTSTANDING, and in recognition of his exceptional services during the period 4-1-61 to 3-31-62, he received an INCENTIVE AWARD of $400.00 by letter 5-11-62. He thanked the Director for this

Enclosure - Permanent Brief of SA William A. Branigan

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ORIGINAL DOCUMENT SENT TO NATIONAL ARCHIVES (JFKARC) DATE 3-24-98 FBI/DOJ Branigan

C. R. Davidson to Mr. Callahan

RE: SA WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN
Section Chief - Soviet Section

award and for his many kindnesses in the past. He has been CENSURED 4 times, the most recent 1-6-64 for errors in correspondence directed to Assistant Attorney General J. Walter Yeagley on the subject [redacted] Espionage - R. b6

Prior to the above censure, he was censured 12-13-63 inasmuch as Chief of the Soviet Section he had over-all responsibility to insure that proper supervision was afforded the Lee Harvey Oswald, Internal Security - R investigation, and the supervision afforded this case was not in keeping with the standards expected by the Bureau. Specifically, the investigation was not carried out with adequate thoroughness and promptness, a very important interview was unduly delayed and no action was taken to include the subject on the Security Index.

As Chief of the now Soviet Section, formerly Espionage Section, he handles Espionage and intelligence investigations involving the Soviet Union. Units under his supervision are the Officials Unit, the Illegals Unit, and Special Cases Unit.

Mr. Branigan has received personal notes from the Director CONGRATULATING him on every Bureau anniversary since his 13th, observed 7-14-54. He was last Congratulated 7-12-63 for his 22nd Anniversary, Sunday 7-14-63.

According to his 1963 annual performance report, rated EXCELLENT, he is considered to have Outstanding qualifications for further administrative advancement.

His overtime performance has been satisfactory. He has no listed offices of preference.

His Son, William A. Branigan, III, served as a Summer Employee in the Files and Communications Division in 1960, 1961, and 1962. His services were satisfactory.

No congratulations are to be given to Branigan without personally talking to him, I would not agree in view of his mishandling in handled case.

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Director
Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice
Washington, D. C. 20535

Dear Sir:

For inclusion in the fund to be paid to the designated beneficiary of any Special Agent of the FBI who has previously contributed to this fund and who dies from any cause except self-destruction while employed as a Special Agent, I am forwarding herewith **(by Check - Money Order)** the sum of $10, payable to S.A.I.F., to be included in said fund. Payment will be made for death by self-destruction after the Agent has been a member of the fund for a continuous period of two years. It is understood and agreed that the sum tendered herewith is a voluntary, gratuitous contribution to said fund which I understand is to be administered in the following manner.

The Director of the FBI will appoint a committee which shall consider all matters pertaining to the acquisition, safe keeping and expending of said fund, which committee will recommend appropriate action to the Director in pertinent matters. The Assistant Director of the Administrative Division of the FBI shall receive all contributions and account for same to the Director. Upon the death of any Special Agent who is a member of said fund the appointed committee will consider the case and submit a recommendation to the Director as to its conclusions. Appropriate instructions will then be issued to the Assistant Director of the Administrative Division, directing him to pay to the designated beneficiary the sum of $10,000. The liability of the fund shall not under any circumstances exceed the amount of monies in the fund at the time any liability shall occur.

EXECUTE IN DUPLICATE AND SUBMIT BOTH COPIES TO THE BUREAU

Official Bureau Name (please type or print)	Date	Office of Assignment (or SOG Division)
SA WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN	1-22-64	DOM. INT. DIV.

The following person is designated as my beneficiary for Special Agents Insurance Fund:

Name (primary beneficiary; use given first name if female)	Relationship
LOIS HALLENBECK BRANIGAN	WIFE

Address: 2317 N. KENTUCKY ST. ARLINGTON VA.

Name (contingent beneficiary, if desired; use given first name if female)	Relationship

Address

The following person is designated as my beneficiary under the Chas. S. Ross Fund providing $1500 death benefit to beneficiary of **agents killed in the line of duty, other than travel accidents.**

Name (primary beneficiary; use given first name if female)	Relationship
LOIS HALLENBECK BRANIGAN	WIFE

Address: 2317 N. KENTUCKY ST. ARLINGTON, VA.

Name (contingent beneficiary, if desired; use given first name if female)	Relationship

Address

Very truly yours,

William A. Branigan
Special Agent

Payment Received
Special Agents Insurance Fund
FEB 11 1964

J. Edgar Hoover, Director

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RECEIPT FOR GOVERNMENT PROPERTY
FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Jan. 23, 1964

I certify that I have received the following Government property for official use:
[redacted]

16 copies of Section 87D of the Manual of Instructions.

FILE
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PER

Very truly yours,

(Signature) William A. Branigan

(Typed name) WILLIAM A. BRANIGAN

Memo with approval attached

READ

The Government property which you hereby acknowledge is charged to you and you are responsible for taking care of it and returning it when its use has been completed. DO NOT MARK OR WRITE ON IT OR MUTILATE IT IN ANY WAY.

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REC-12

January 6, 1964

PERSONAL

Mr. William A. Branigan
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Washington, D. C.

JAN 6 3 15 PM '64
REC'D-READING ROOM
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Dear Mr. Branigan:

As a result of carelessness on your part, errors were made in an official communication which you prepared under date of December 27, 1963. It is evident that you did not devote sufficient attention to this particular assignment.

Accordingly, in the future you will be expected to exhibit a higher degree of accuracy in the preparation of official mail so that it will not be necessary to bring a similar matter to your attention.

Very truly yours,

MAILED 11
JAN 6 1964
COMM-FBI

Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

1 - Mr. Sullivan (Personal Attention)
1 - Domestic Intelligence Division Personnel File
HNB:skd
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Based on memo, D. E. Moore to Mr. W. C. Sullivan, 1-2-64, WAB:mhw.

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MAIL ROOM ☐ TELETYPE UNIT ☐

MEDICAL REPORTS

Personnel File of: BRANIGAN, WILLIAM A.

Personnel File No. 67-219505

Bureau of the Budget
Circular A-32

CLINICAL RECORD | ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHIC RECORD

PREVIOUS ECG: ☒ YES ☐ NO

CLINICAL IMPRESSION

MEDICATION

☐ EMERGENCY ☐ BEDSIDE
☒ ROUTINE ☒ AMBULANT

AGE	SEX	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	B. P.	SIGNATURE OF WARD PHYSICIAN	DATE
48	M	Cauc.	7 1½	172			10-26-64

RHYTHM

AXIS DEVIATION (QRS)

RATES: AURIC. VENT.

INTERVALS: PR QRS QT

P WAVES

QRS COMPLEXES

RS—T SEGMENT

T WAVES

UNIPOLAR EXTREMITY LEADS (Specify)

PRECORDIAL LEADS (Specify)

SUMMARY, SERIAL CHANGES, AND IMPLICATIONS:

WNL

(Continue on reverse)

NO.	SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE
ECG	[signature]	tech	10-26-64

PATIENT'S IDENTIFICATION (For typed or written entries give: Name—last, first, middle; grade; date; hospital or medical facility)

BRANIGAN, WILLIAM ALOYSIUS

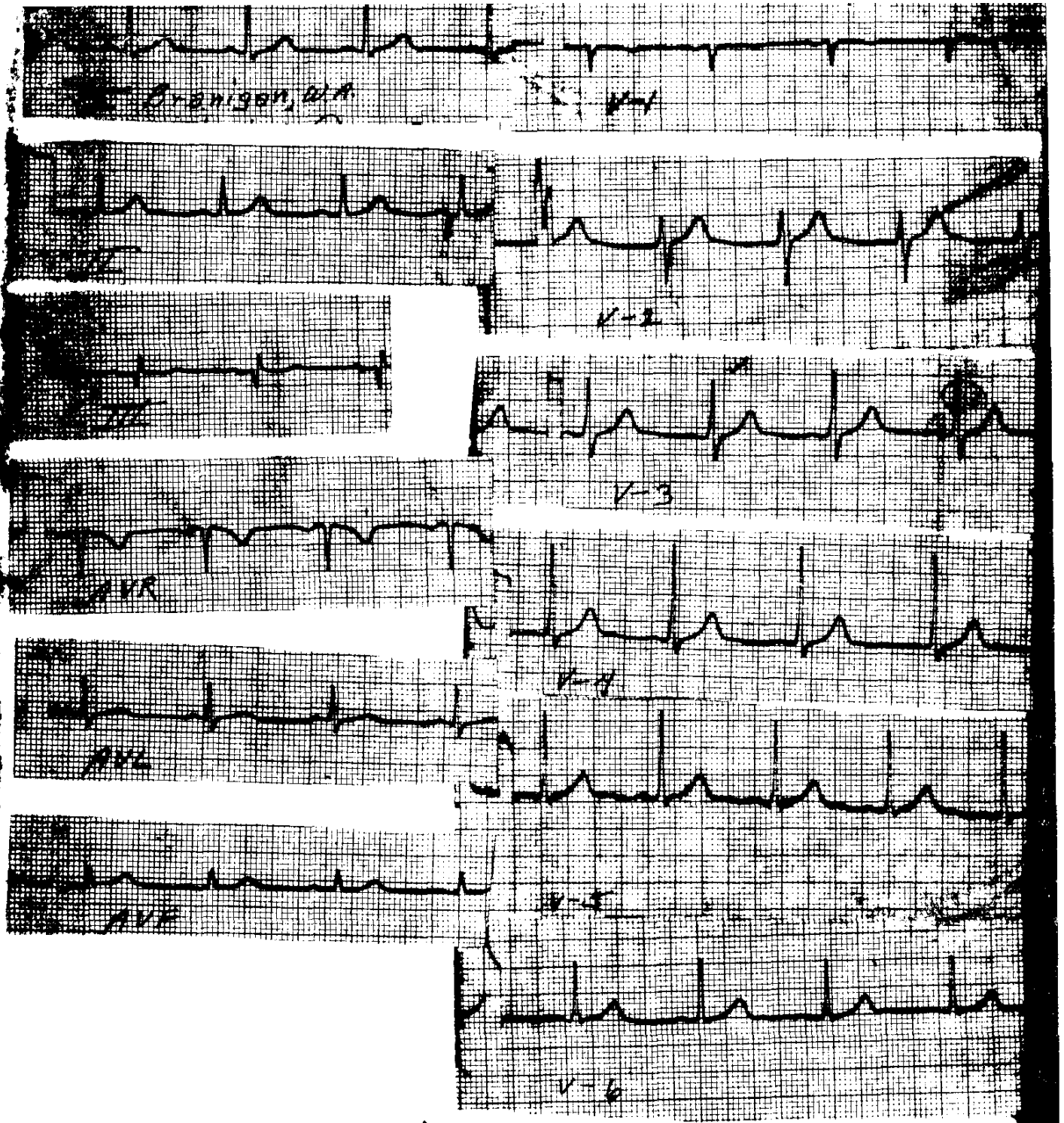
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Standard Form 520
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CLINICAL RECORD

ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHIC REPORT

CLINICAL IMPRESSION

AGE	SEX	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	B.P.	SIGNATURE OF WARD PHYSICIAN
47	M	Cauc	71	170		

DATE 11-15-63

RHYTHM

AXIS (P, QRS, T) RATES

INTERVALS

PR QRS QT

P WAVE

QRS COMPLEXES

RS—T SEGMENT

T WAVE

UNIPOLAR EXTREMITY LEADS (Specify) 3

PRECORDIAL LEADS (Specify)

SUMMARY, SERIAL CHANGES, AND IMPLICATIONS

WNL

NSCS 11/30/63

(Continue on reverse)

NO.	SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE
ECG	CLINTON J. MCGREW, JR. LCDR (MC) USN		11-15-63

PATIENT'S IDENTIFICATION (For typed or written entries give: Name—last, first, middle; grade; date; hospital or medical facility)

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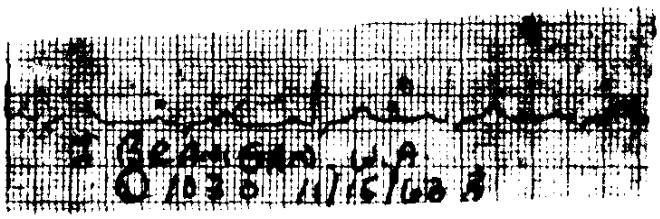
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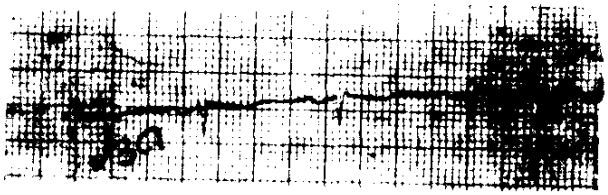
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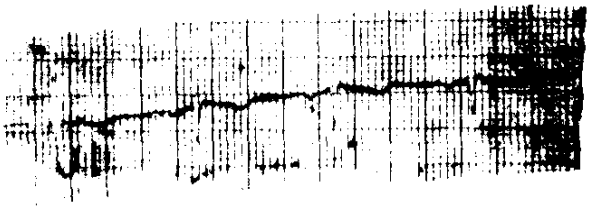
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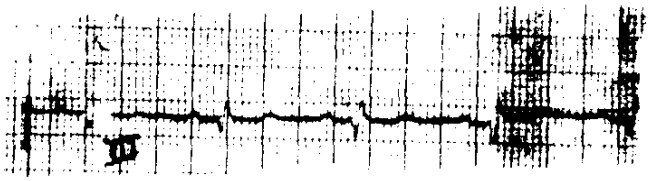
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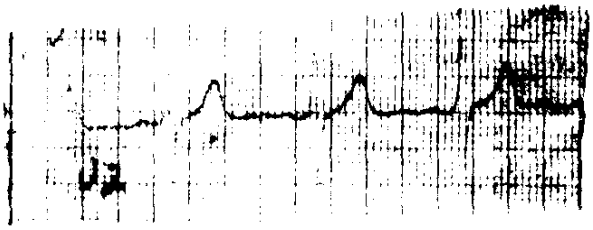


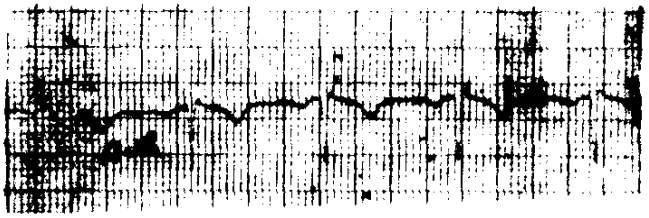


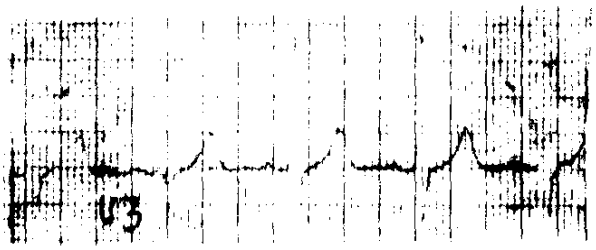


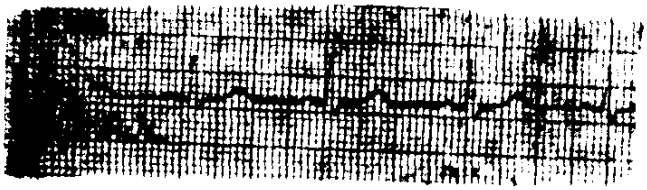


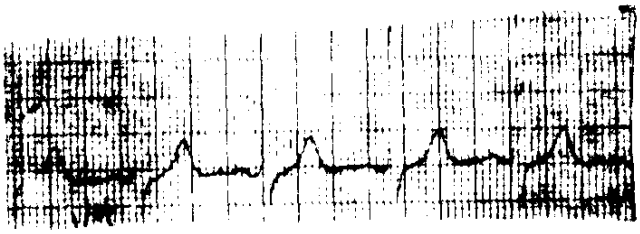


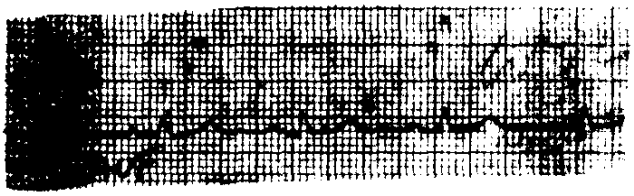


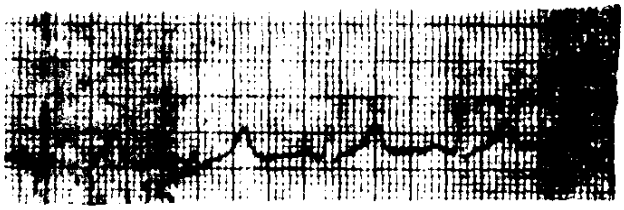














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CLINICAL RECORD | **ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHIC RECORD**

PREVIOUS ECG ☐ YES ☐ NO

CLINICAL IMPRESSION

MEDICATION

☐ EMERGENCY ☐ BEDSIDE
☐ ROUTINE ☐ AMBULANT

AGE	SEX	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	B. P.	SIGNATURE OF WARD PHYSICIAN	DATE
46	M		5'11"	170			11/30/62

RHYTHM: Sinus arrythmia

AXIS DEVIATION (QRS): plus 30

RATES: AURIC. VENT. 70

INTERVALS: PR .14 QRS .08 QT .36

P WAVES: Notched ii

QRS COMPLEXES: N

RS—T SEGMENT: N

T WAVES: N

UNIPOLAR EXTREMITY LEADS (*Specify*)

PRECORDIAL LEADS (*Specify*)

SUMMARY, SERIAL CHANGES, AND IMPLICATIONS:

Sinus arrhythuia
Occasuaal PVC
No significent change since 1/12/62

(*Continue on reverse*)

NO. ECG	SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE
18343	Dr. Brackett	Lt. USN Mc	11/30/62

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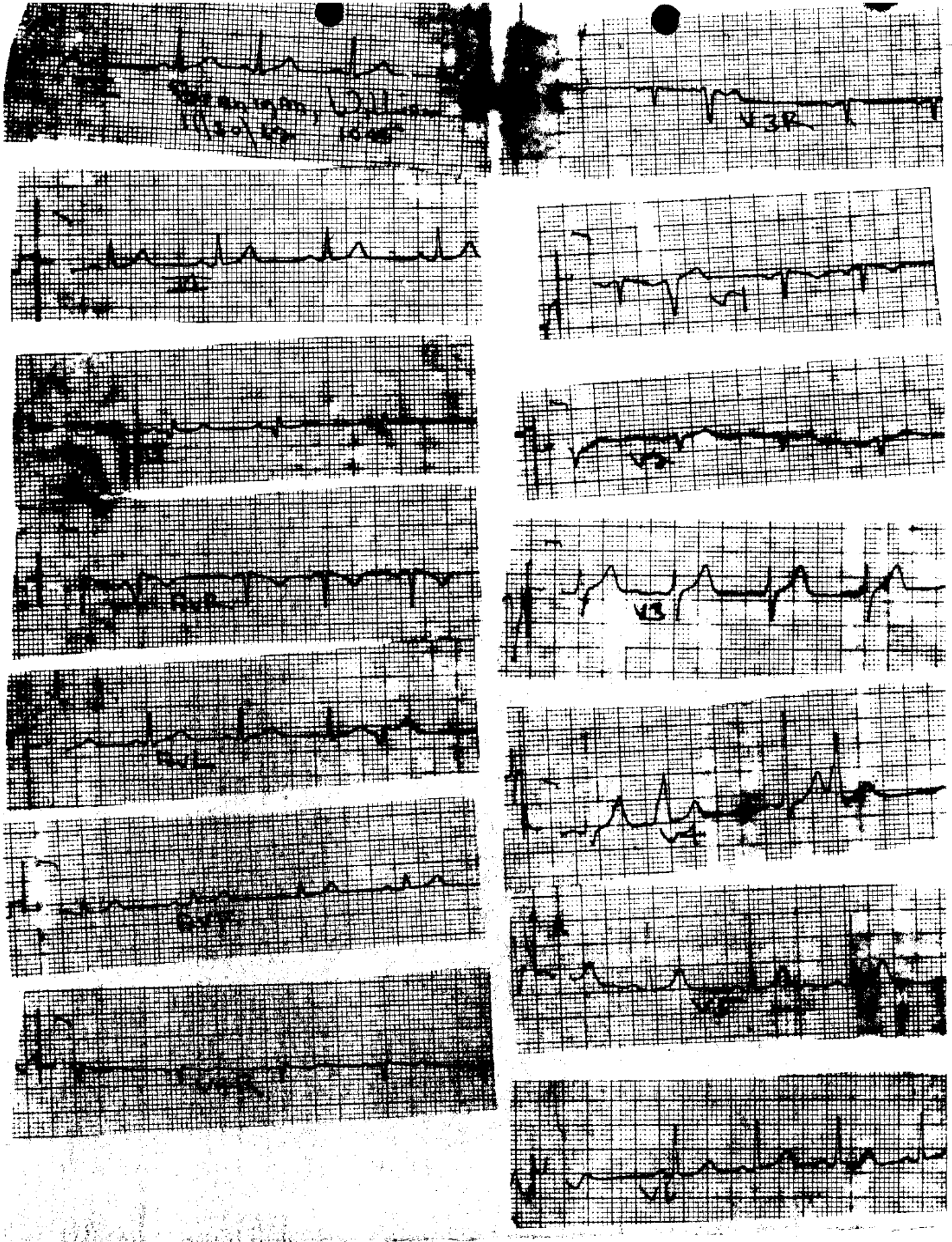
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CARDIOLOGY DEPT.
BETHESDA, MARYLAND

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CLINICAL IMPRESSION

MEDICATION

☐ EMERGENCY ☐ BEDSIDE
☐ ROUTINE ☐ AMBULANT

AGE	SEX	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	B. P.	SIGNATURE OF WARD PHYSICIAN	DATE
45	M		5-11	170		1/12/62@	1115

RHYTHM: Normal sinus

AXIS DEVIATION (QRS)

RATES — AURIC. VENT. 70

INTERVALS — PR .20 QRS .07 QT .38

P WAVES

QRS COMPLEXES

RS—T SEGMENT

T WAVES

UNIPOLAR EXTREMITY LEADS (*Specify*)

PRECORDIAL LEADS (*Specify*)

SUMMARY, SERIAL CHANGES, AND IMPLICATIONS:

1. Within normal limits. No significant change since last tracing.

(*Continue on reverse*)

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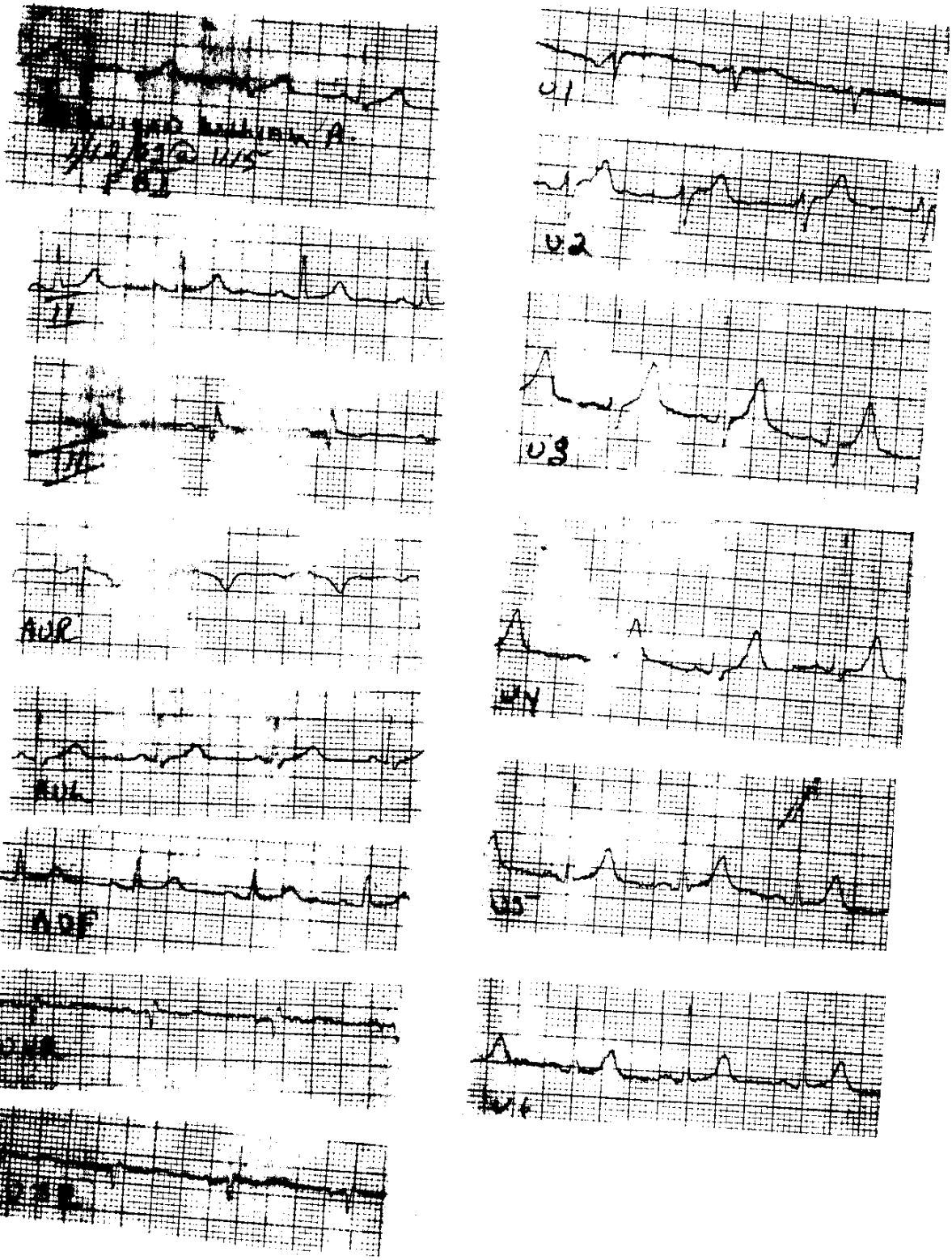
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PREVIOUS ECG ☐ YES ☐ NO

CLINICAL IMPRESSION

MEDICATION

☐ EMERGENCY ☐ BEDSIDE
☐ ROUTINE ☐ AMBULANT

AGE	SEX	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	B. P.	SIGNATURE OF WARD PHYSICIAN	DATE
45			70	166		DR JOHNSTON	1/27/61 1135

RHYTHM: Normal sinus rhythm

AXIS DEVIATION (QRS): +45

RATES: AURIC. VENT. 75

INTERVALS: PR .16 QRS .08 QT .36

P WAVES: Normal

QRS COMPLEXES: Normal

RS—T SEGMENT: Normal

T WAVES: Normal

UNIPOLAR EXTREMITY LEADS (*Specify*)

PRECORDIAL LEADS (*Specify*)

SUMMARY, SERIAL CHANGES, AND IMPLICATIONS:

Within normal limits

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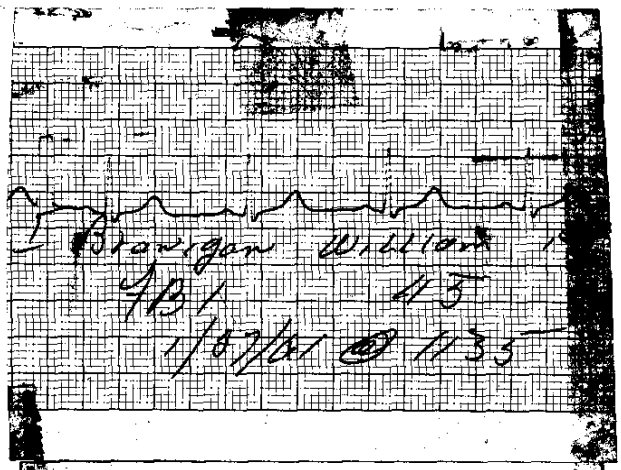
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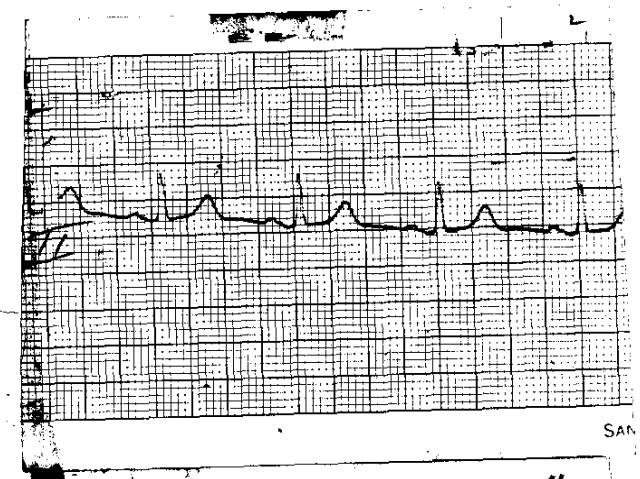
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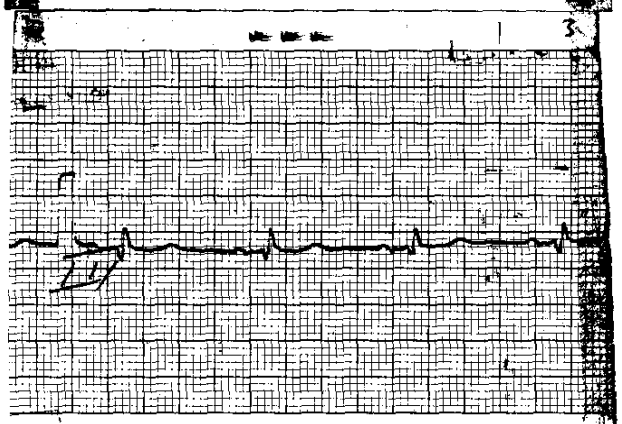
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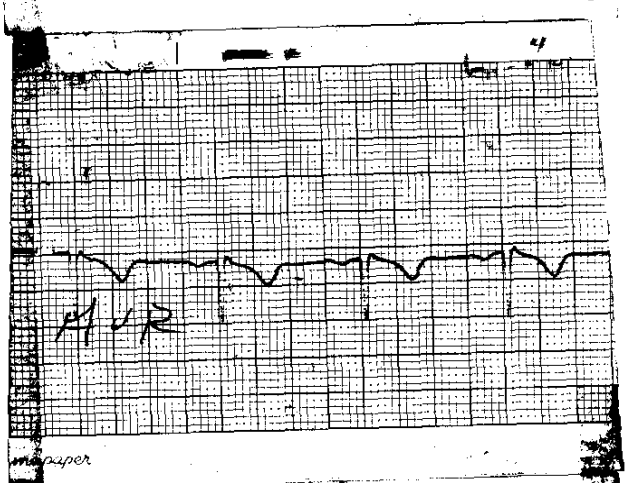
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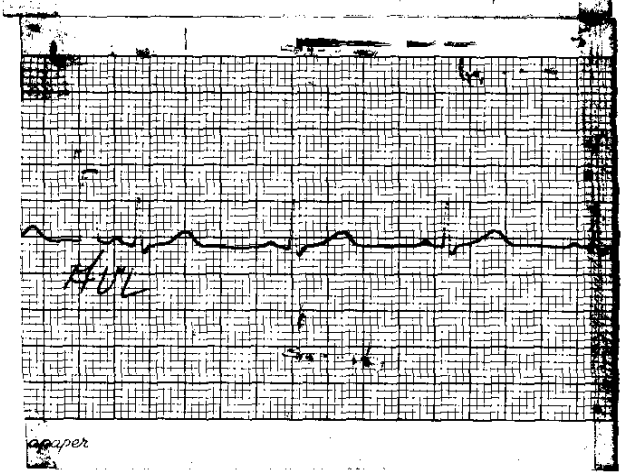
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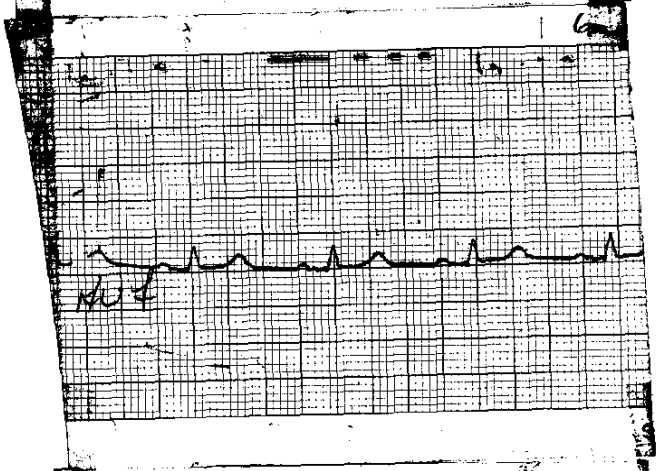

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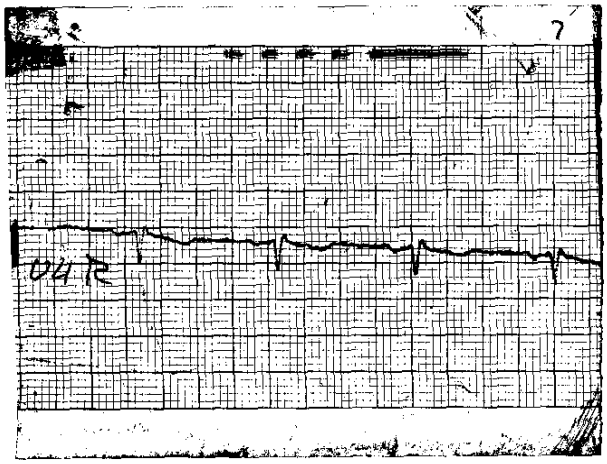

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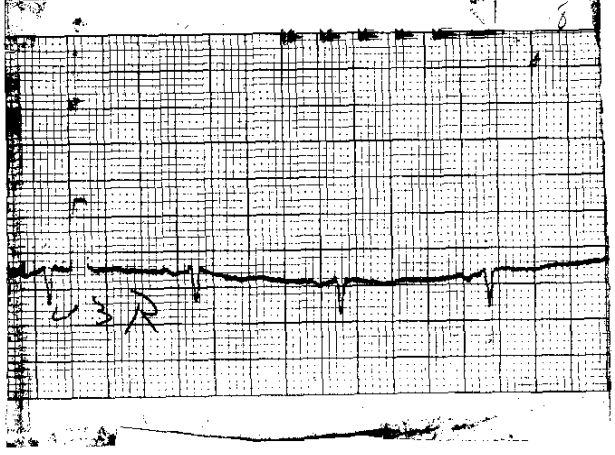

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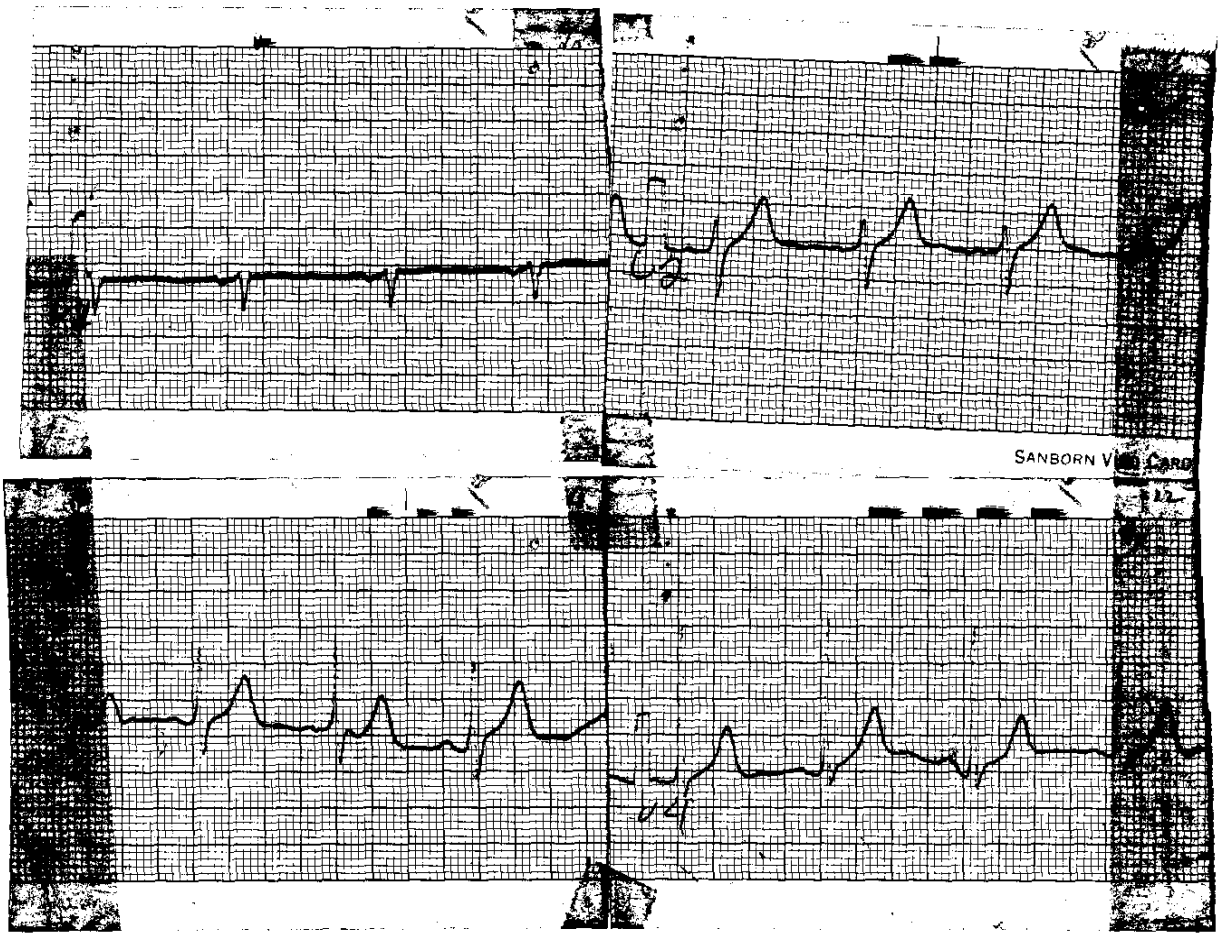

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CLINICAL IMPRESSION

MEDICATION

☐ EMERGENCY ☐ BEDSIDE
☐ ROUTINE ☐ AMBULANT

AGE	SEX	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	B. P.	SIGNATURE OF WARD PHYSICIAN	DATE
43			71"	168			1-29-60@1100

RHYTHM

AXIS DEVIATION (QRS)

RATES
AURIC. VENT.

INTERVALS
PR QRS QT

P WAVES

QRS COMPLEXES

RS—T SEGMENT

T WAVES

UNIPOLAR EXTREMITY LEADS (*Specify*)

PRECORDIAL LEADS (*Specify*)

SUMMARY, SERIAL CHANGES, AND IMPLICATIONS:

1.Within normal limits
2.No significant change since ~~12-13-59~~

(*Continue on reverse*)

NO.	SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE
ECG 18343	F. H. O'CONNELL mgg	LCDR MC USN	1-29-60

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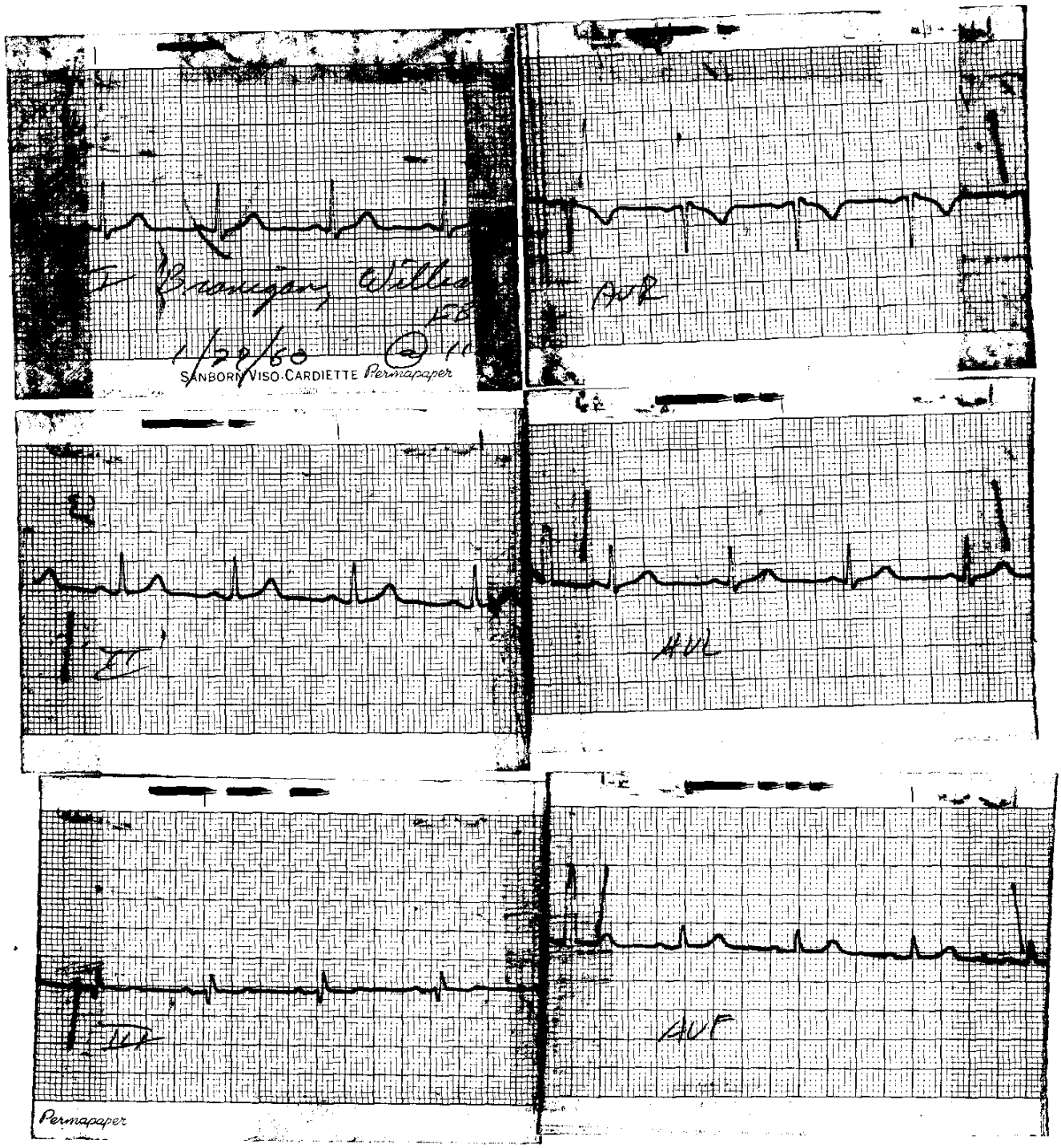
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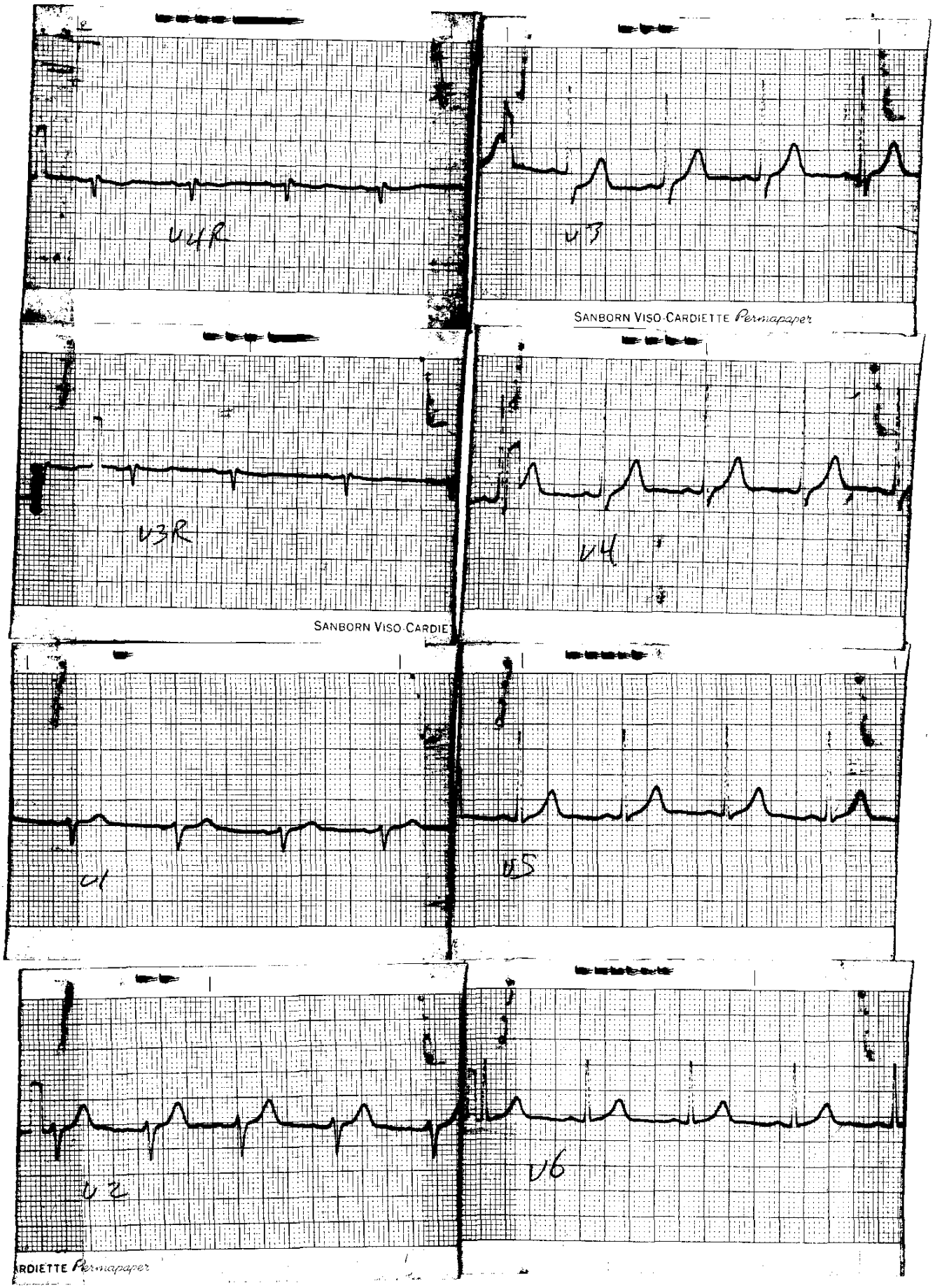
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REPORT OF MEDICAL HISTORY

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F.B.I.

1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME	2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION	3. IDENTIFICATION NO.
BRANIGAN WILLIAM ALOYSIUS	SA	
4. HOME ADDRESS *(Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State)*	**5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION**	**6. DATE OF EXAMINATION**
	ANNUAL	2/13/59

7. SEX	8. RACE	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE MILITARY	CIVILIAN	10. DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, OR SERVICE	11. ORGANIZATION UNIT
MALE	WHITE				

12. DATE OF BIRTH	13. PLACE OF BIRTH	14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
3/23/16	New York	

15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS	16. OTHER INFORMATION

17. STATEMENT OF EXAMINEE'S PRESENT HEALTH IN OWN WORDS. *(Follow by description of past history, if complaint exists)*

EXCELLENT

18. FAMILY HISTORY

RELATION	AGE	STATE OF HEALTH	IF DEAD, CAUSE OF DEATH	AGE AT DEATH
FATHER			CORONARY	80
MOTHER	62	GOOD		
SPOUSE	NO	EXCELLENT		
BROTHERS AND SISTERS	44	EXCELLENT		
	40	EXCELLENT		
CHILDREN	15	EXCELLENT		
	12	"		
	6	"		
	4	"		

19. HAS ANY BLOOD RELATION *(Parent, brother, sister, other)* OR HUSBAND OR WIFE:

YES	NO	*(Check each item)*	RELATION(S)
	✓	HAD TUBERCULOSIS	
	✓	HAD SYPHILIS	
	✓	HAD DIABETES	
✓		HAD CANCER	MOTHER
	✓	HAD KIDNEY TROUBLE	
	✓	HAD HEART TROUBLE	
	✓	HAD STOMACH TROUBLE	
✓		HAD RHEUMATISM *(Arthritis)*	MOTHER
	✓	HAD ASTHMA, HAY FEVER, HIVES	
	✓	HAD EPILEPSY *(Fits)*	
	✓	COMMITTED SUICIDE	
	✓	BEEN INSANE	

20. HAVE YOU EVER HAD OR HAVE YOU NOW *(Place check at left of each item)*

YES	NO	*(Check each item)*	YES	NO	*(Check each item)*	YES	NO	*(Check each item)*	YES	NO	*(Check each item)*
	✓	SCARLET FEVER, ERYSIPELAS		✓	GOITER		✓	TUMOR, GROWTH, CYST, CANCER		✓	"TRICK" OR LOCKED KNEE
	✓	DIPHTHERIA		✓	TUBERCULOSIS		✓	RUPTURE		✓	FOOT TROUBLE
	✓	RHEUMATIC FEVER		✓	SOAKING SWEATS *(Night sweats)*	✓		APPENDICITIS		✓	NEURITIS
	✓	SWOLLEN OR PAINFUL JOINTS		✓	ASTHMA	✓		PILES OR RECTAL DISEASE		✓	PARALYSIS *(Inc. infantile)*
✓		MUMPS		✓	SHORTNESS OF BREATH		✓	FREQUENT OR PAINFUL URINATION		✓	EPILEPSY OR FITS
✓		WHOOPING COUGH		✓	PAIN OR PRESSURE IN CHEST		✓	KIDNEY STONE OR BLOOD IN URINE		✓	CAR, TRAIN, SEA, OR AIR SICKNESS
	✓	FREQUENT OR SEVERE HEADACHE		✓	CHRONIC COUGH		✓	SUGAR OR ALBUMIN IN URINE		✓	FREQUENT TROUBLE SLEEPING
	✓	DIZZINESS OR FAINTING SPELLS		✓	PALPITATION OR POUNDING HEART		✓	BOILS		✓	FREQUENT OR TERRIFYING NIGHTMARES
	✓	EYE TROUBLE		✓	HIGH OR LOW BLOOD PRESSURE		✓	VENEREAL DISEASE		✓	DEPRESSION OR EXCESSIVE WORRY
	✓	EAR, NOSE OR THROAT TROUBLE		✓	CRAMPS IN YOUR LEGS	✓		RECENT GAIN OR LOSS OF WEIGHT		✓	LOSS OF MEMORY OR AMNESIA
	✓	RUNNING EARS		✓	FREQUENT INDIGESTION		✓	ARTHRITIS OR RHEUMATISM		✓	BED WETTING
	✓	CHRONIC OR FREQUENT COLDS		✓	STOMACH, LIVER OR INTESTINAL TROUBLE		✓	BONE, JOINT, OR OTHER DEFORMITY		✓	NERVOUS TROUBLE OF ANY SORT
✓	✓	SEVERE TOOTH OR GUM TROUBLE		✓	GALL BLADDER TROUBLE OR GALL STONES		✓	LAMENESS		✓	ANY DRUG OR NARCOTIC HABIT
		SINUSITIS		✓	JAUNDICE		✓	LOSS OF ARM, LEG, FINGER, OR TOE		✓	EXCESSIVE DRINKING HABIT
	✓	HAY FEVER		✓	ANY REACTION TO SERUM, DRUG OR MEDICINE		✓	PAINFUL OR "TRICK" SHOULDER OR ELBOW		✓	HOMOSEXUAL TENDENCIES

21. HAVE YOU EVER *(Check each item)*						22. FEMALES ONLY: A. HAVE YOU EVER—			B. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:	
✓		WORN GLASSES		✓	ATTEMPTED SUICIDE			BEEN PREGNANT		AGE AT ONSET OF MENSTRUATION
	✓	WORN AN ARTIFICIAL EYE		✓	BEEN A SLEEP WALKER			HAD A VAGINAL DISCHARGE		INTERVAL BETWEEN PERIODS
	✓	WORN HEARING AIDS		✓	LIVED WITH ANYONE WHO HAD TUBERCULOSIS			BEEN TREATED FOR A FEMALE DISORDER		DURATION OF PERIODS
	✓	STUTTERED OR STAMMERED		✓	COUGHED UP BLOOD			HAD PAINFUL MENSTRUATION		DATE OF LAST PERIOD
	✓	WORN A BRACE OR BACK SUPPORT		✓	BLED EXCESSIVELY AFTER INJURY OR TOOTH EXTRACTION			HAD IRREGULAR MENSTRUATION	QUANTITY: ☐ NORMAL ☐ EXCESSIVE ☐ SCANTY	

23. HOW MANY JOBS HAVE YOU HAD IN THE PAST THREE YEARS?	24. WHAT IS THE LONGEST PERIOD YOU HELD ANY OF THESE JOBS?	25. WHAT IS YOUR USUAL OCCUPATION?	26. ARE YOU *(Check one)*
1	MONTHS 17 mos.	SA	☐ RIGHT HANDED ☑ LEFT HANDED

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YES	NO	CHECK EACH ITEM YES OR NO. EVERY ITEM CHECKED "YES" MUST BE FULLY EXPLAINED IN BLANK SPACE ON RIGHT	
	✓	27. HAVE YOU BEEN UNABLE TO HOLD A JOB BECAUSE OF: A. SENSITIVITY TO CHEMICALS, DUST, SUNLIGHT, ETC.	
	✓	B. INABILITY TO PERFORM CERTAIN MOTIONS	
	✓	C. INABILITY TO ASSUME CERTAIN POSITIONS	
	✓	D. OTHER MEDICAL REASONS (*If yes, give reasons*)	
	✓	28. HAVE YOU EVER WORKED WITH RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCE?	
	✓	29. DID YOU HAVE DIFFICULTY WITH SCHOOL STUDIES OR TEACHERS? (*If yes, give details*)	
	✓	30. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REFUSED EMPLOYMENT BECAUSE OF YOUR HEALTH? (*If yes, state reason and give details*)	
	✓	31. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DENIED LIFE INSURANCE? (*If yes, state reason and give details*)	
✓		32. HAVE YOU HAD, OR HAVE YOU BEEN ADVISED TO HAVE, ANY OPERATIONS? (*If yes, describe and give age at which occurred*)	APPENDECTOMY 31
	✓	33. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN A PATIENT (*committed or voluntary*) IN A MENTAL HOSPITAL OR SANATORIUM? (*If yes, specify when, where, why, and name of doctor, and complete address of hospital or clinic*)	
	✓	34. HAVE YOU EVER HAD ANY ILLNESS OR INJURY OTHER THAN THOSE ALREADY NOTED? (*If yes, specify when, where, and give details*)	
	✓	35. HAVE YOU CONSULTED OR BEEN TREATED BY CLINICS, PHYSICIANS, HEALERS, OR OTHER PRACTITIONERS WITHIN THE PAST 5 YEARS? (*If yes, give complete address of doctor, hospital, clinic, and details*)	
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	✓	39. HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED, IS THERE PENDING, HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR, OR DO YOU INTEND TO APPLY FOR PENSION OR COMPENSATION FOR EXISTING DISABILITY? (*If yes, specify what kind, granted by whom, and what amount, when, why*)	

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TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF EXAMINEE	SIGNATURE
WILLIAM A BRANIGAN	William A Branigan

40. PHYSICIAN'S SUMMARY AND ELABORATION OF ALL PERTINENT DATA (*Physician shall comment on all positive answers in items 20 thru 39*)

No symptoms etc, at present.

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN OR EXAMINER	DATE	SIGNATURE	NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS
E. R. JOHNSTON, CAPT., MC, USN	FEB 13 1959	E R Johnston	

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CLINICAL RECORD | ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHIC RECORD

PREVIOUS ECG ☐ YES ☐ NO

CLINICAL IMPRESSION

MEDICATION

☐ EMERGENCY ☐ BEDSIDE
☐ ROUTINE ☐ AMBULANT

AGE	SEX	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	B. P.	SIGNATURE OF WARD PHYSICIAN	DATE
42	M		70"	176		DR. JOHNSTON	2-13-59 1115

RHYTHM: Normal sinus rhythm

AXIS DEVIATION (QRS): +30°

RATES: AURIC. VENT. 75

INTERVALS: PR .17 QRS .06 QT

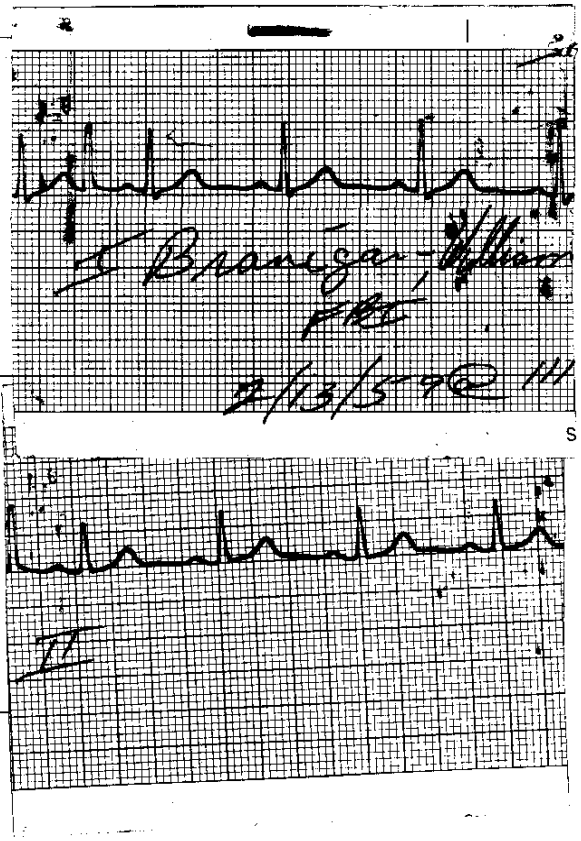
P WAVES

QRS COMPLEXES

RS—T SEGMENT

T WAVES

UNIPOLAR EXTREMITY LEADS (*Specify*)



PRECORDIAL LEADS (*Specify*)

SUMMARY, SERIAL CHANGES, AND IMPLICATIONS:

1. Within normal limits.
2. No significant change since 3-5-58.

(*Continue on reverse*)

NO.	SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE
ECG 18343	F. S. CALDWELL /mg	LT MC USN	2-13-59

PATIENT'S IDENTIFICATION (*For typed or written entries give: Name—last, first, middle; grade; date; hospital or medical facility*)

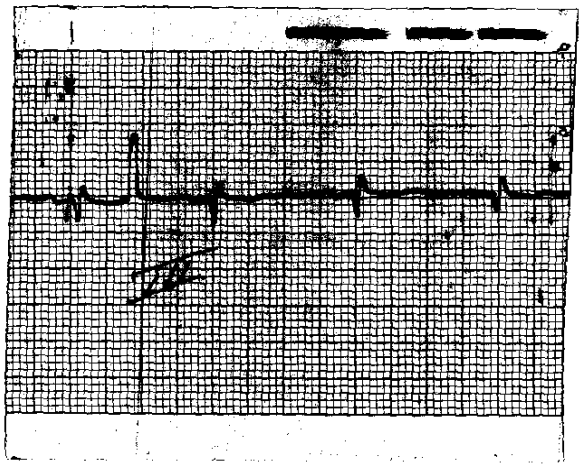
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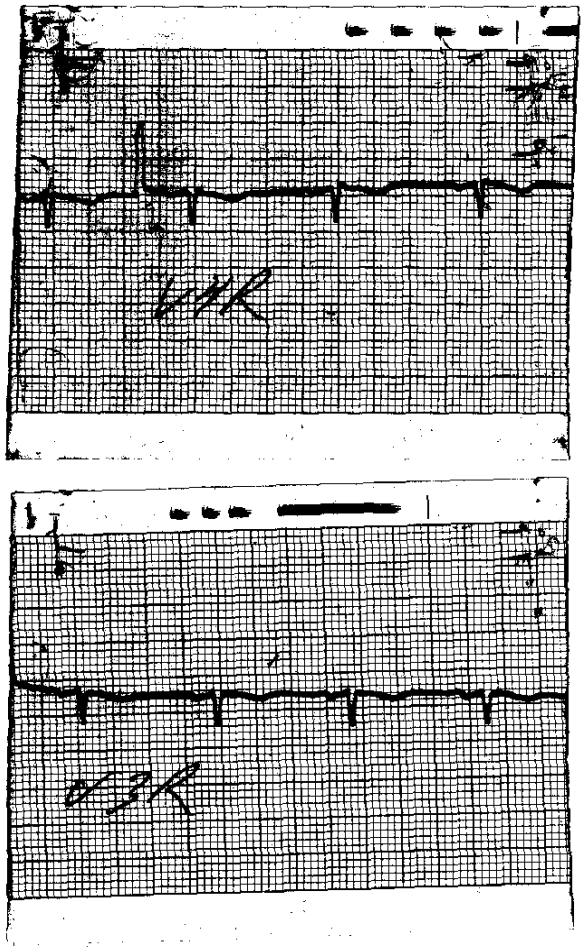
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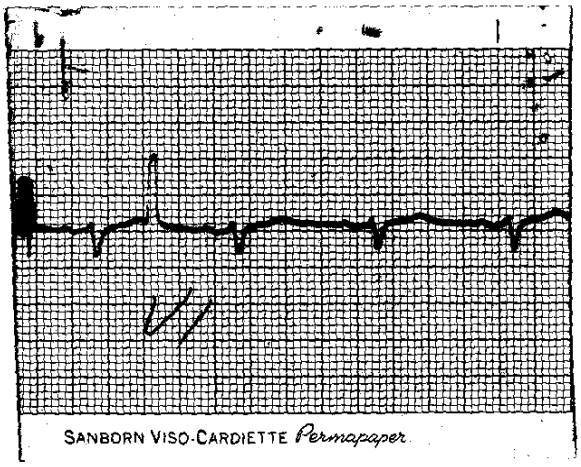
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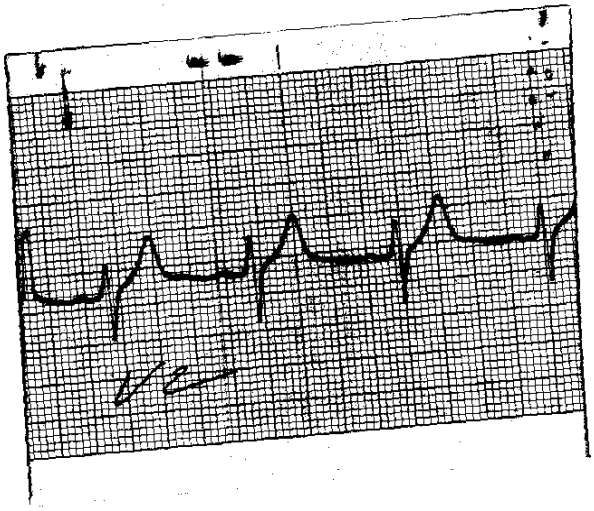
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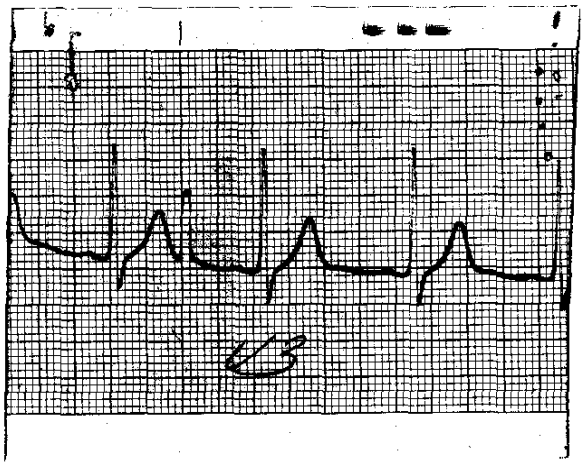
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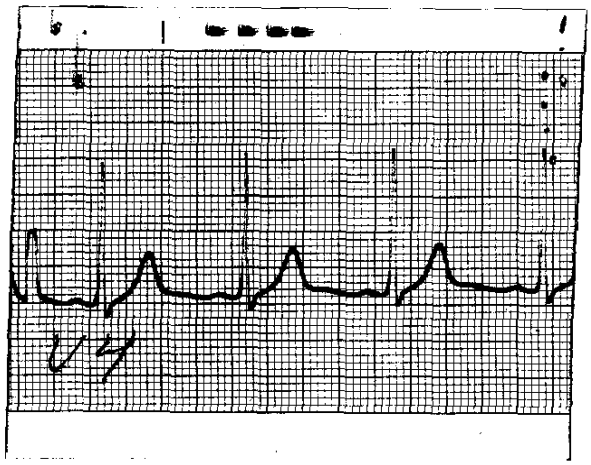


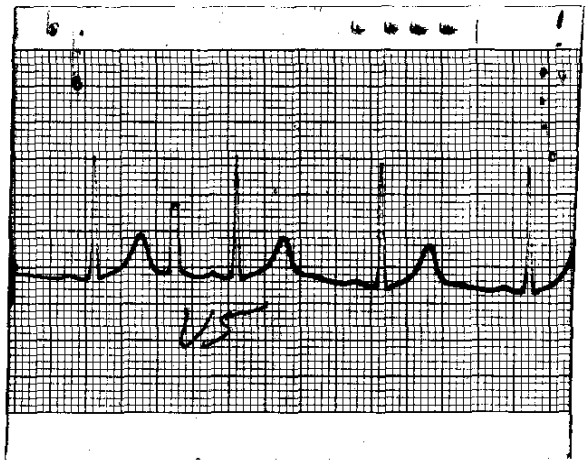


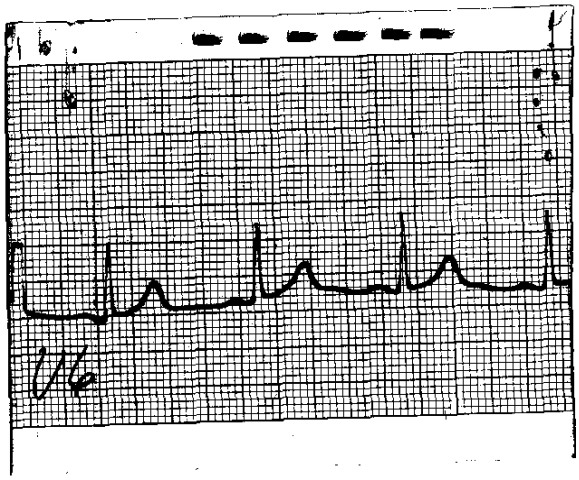

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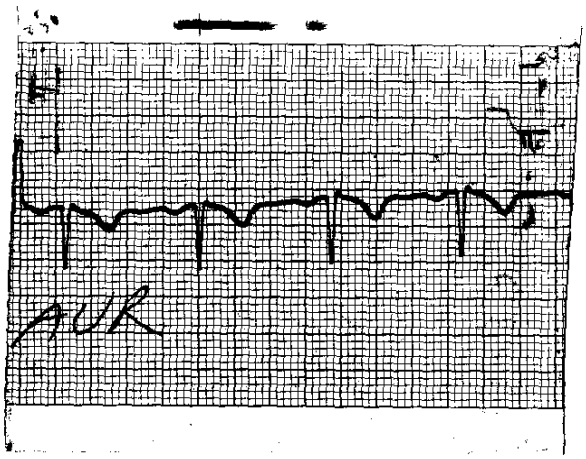


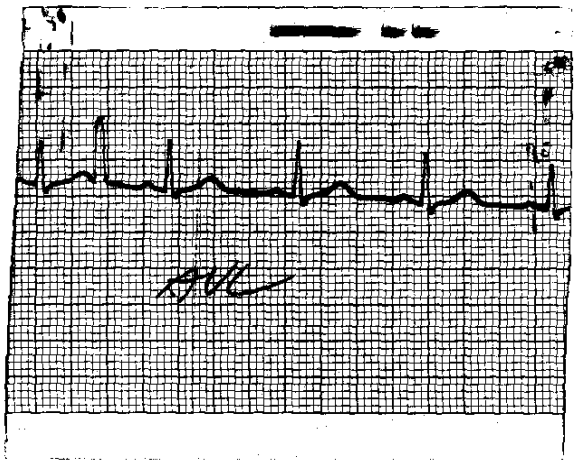

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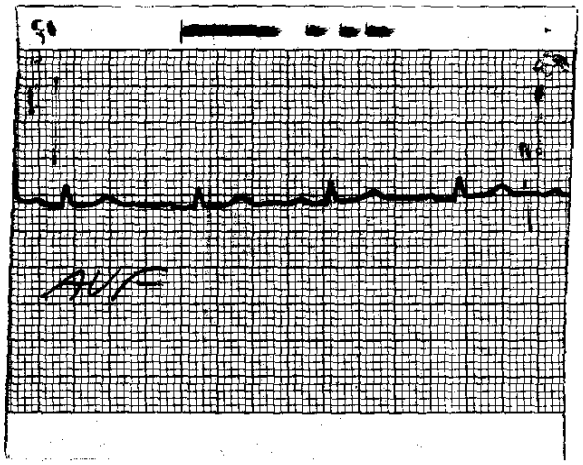

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REPORT OF MEDICAL HISTORY

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1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME	2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION	3. IDENTIFICATION NO.
BRANIGAN WILLIAM A		
4. HOME ADDRESS (Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State)	**5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION**	**6. DATE OF EXAMINATION**
		MAR 5 1958

7. SEX	8. RACE	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE MILITARY	CIVILIAN	10. DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, OR SERVICE	11. ORGANIZATION UNIT
M.	WHITE				

12. DATE OF BIRTH	13. PLACE OF BIRTH	14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
3/23/16	ALBANY N.Y	

15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS	16. OTHER INFORMATION

17. STATEMENT OF EXAMINEE'S PRESENT HEALTH IN OWN WORDS. *(Follow by description of past history, if complaint exists)*

18. FAMILY HISTORY

RELATION	AGE	STATE OF HEALTH	IF DEAD, CAUSE OF DEATH	AGE AT DEATH
FATHER	81	GOOD		
MOTHER	82	GOOD		
SPOUSE	39	GOOD		
BROTHERS AND SISTERS	43	GOOD		
	39	GOOD		
CHILDREN	14	GOOD		
	11	GOOD		
	5	GOOD		
	3	GOOD		

19. HAS ANY BLOOD RELATION *(Parent, brother, sister, other)* OR HUSBAND OR WIFE:

YES	NO	(Check each item)	RELATION(S)
	✓	HAD TUBERCULOSIS	
	✓	HAD SYPHILIS	
	✓	HAD DIABETES	
✓		HAD CANCER	MOTHER
	✓	HAD KIDNEY TROUBLE	
	✓	HAD HEART TROUBLE	
	✓	HAD STOMACH TROUBLE	
✓		HAD RHEUMATISM *(Arthritis)*	
	✓	HAD ASTHMA, HAY FEVER, HIVES	
		HAD EPILEPSY *(Fits)*	
	✓	COMMITTED SUICIDE	
	✓	BEEN INSANE	

20. HAVE YOU EVER HAD OR HAVE YOU NOW *(Place check at left of each item)*

YES	NO	(Check each item)	YES	NO	(Check each item)	YES	NO	(Check each item)	YES	NO	(Check each item)
	✓	SCARLET FEVER, ERYSIPELAS		✓	GOITER		✓	TUMOR, GROWTH, CYST, CANCER		✓	"TRICK" OR LOCKED KNEE
	✓	DIPHTHERIA		✓	TUBERCULOSIS		✓	RUPTURE		✓	FOOT TROUBLE
	✓	RHEUMATIC FEVER		✓	SOAKING SWEATS *(Night sweats)*	✓		APPENDICITIS		✓	NEURITIS
	✓	SWOLLEN OR PAINFUL JOINTS		✓	ASTHMA	✓		PILES OR RECTAL DISEASE		✓	PARALYSIS *(Inc. infantile)*
✓		MUMPS		✓	SHORTNESS OF BREATH		✓	FREQUENT OR PAINFUL URINATION		✓	EPILEPSY OR FITS
✓		WHOOPING COUGH		✓	PAIN OR PRESSURE IN CHEST		✓	KIDNEY STONE OR BLOOD IN URINE		✓	CAR, TRAIN, SEA, OR AIR SICKNESS
	✓	FREQUENT OR SEVERE HEADACHE		✓	CHRONIC COUGH		✓	SUGAR OR ALBUMIN IN URINE		✓	FREQUENT TROUBLE SLEEPING
	✓	DIZZINESS OR FAINTING SPELLS		✓	PALPITATION OR POUNDING HEART		✓	BOILS		✓	FREQUENT OR TERRIFYING NIGHTMARES
	✓	EYE TROUBLE		✓	HIGH OR LOW BLOOD PRESSURE		✓	VENEREAL DISEASE		✓	DEPRESSION OR EXCESSIVE WORRY
	✓	EAR, NOSE OR THROAT TROUBLE		✓	CRAMPS IN YOUR LEGS		✓	RECENT GAIN OR LOSS OF WEIGHT		✓	LOSS OF MEMORY OR AMNESIA
	✓	RUNNING EARS		✓	FREQUENT INDIGESTION		✓	ARTHRITIS OR RHEUMATISM		✓	BED WETTING
	✓	CHRONIC OR FREQUENT COLDS		✓	STOMACH, LIVER OR INTESTINAL TROUBLE		✓	BONE, JOINT, OR OTHER DEFORMITY		✓	NERVOUS TROUBLE OF ANY SORT
	✓	SEVERE TOOTH OR GUM TROUBLE		✓	GALL BLADDER TROUBLE OR GALL STONES		✓	LAMENESS		✓	ANY DRUG OR NARCOTIC HABIT
	✓	SINUSITIS		✓	JAUNDICE		✓	LOSS OF ARM, LEG, FINGER, OR TOE		✓	EXCESSIVE DRINKING HABIT
	✓	HAY FEVER		✓	*ANY REACTION TO SERUM, DRUG OR* MEDICINE		✓	PAINFUL OR "TRICK" SHOULDER OR ELBOW		✓	HOMOSEXUAL TENDENCIES

21. HAVE YOU EVER *(Check each item)*					
✓		WORN GLASSES		✓	ATTEMPTED SUICIDE
	✓	WORN AN ARTIFICIAL EYE		✓	BEEN A SLEEP WALKER
	✓	WORN HEARING AIDS		✓	LIVED WITH ANYONE WHO HAD TUBERCULOSIS
	✓	STUTTERED OR STAMMERED		✓	COUGHED UP BLOOD
	✓	WORN A BRACE OR BACK SUPPORT		✓	BLED EXCESSIVELY AFTER INJURY OR TOOTH EXTRACTION

22. FEMALES ONLY: A. HAVE YOU EVER—		B. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:	
		BEEN PREGNANT	AGE AT ONSET OF MENSTRUATION
		HAD A VAGINAL DISCHARGE	INTERVAL BETWEEN PERIODS
		BEEN TREATED FOR A FEMALE DISORDER	DURATION OF PERIODS
		HAD PAINFUL MENSTRUATION	DATE OF LAST PERIOD
		HAD IRREGULAR MENSTRUATION	QUANTITY: ☐ NORMAL ☐ EXCESSIVE ☐ SCANTY

23. HOW MANY JOBS HAVE YOU HAD IN THE PAST THREE YEARS?	24. WHAT IS THE LONGEST PERIOD YOU HELD ANY OF THESE JOBS? MONTHS	25. WHAT IS YOUR USUAL OCCUPATION?	26. ARE YOU *(Check one)* ☐ RIGHT HANDED ☐ LEFT HANDED

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YES	NO	CHECK EACH ITEM YES OR NO. EVERY ITEM CHECKED "YES" MUST BE FULLY EXPLAINED IN BLANK SPACE ON RIGHT
	✓	27. HAVE YOU BEEN UNABLE TO HOLD A JOB BECAUSE OF: A. SENSITIVITY TO CHEMICALS, DUST, SUNLIGHT, ETC.
	✓	B. INABILITY TO PERFORM CERTAIN MOTIONS
	✓	C. INABILITY TO ASSUME CERTAIN POSITIONS
	✓	D. OTHER MEDICAL REASONS (*If yes, give reasons*)
	✓	28. HAVE YOU EVER WORKED WITH RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCE?
	✓	29. DID YOU HAVE DIFFICULTY WITH SCHOOL STUDIES OR TEACHERS? (*If yes, give details*)
	✓	30. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REFUSED EMPLOYMENT BECAUSE OF YOUR HEALTH? (*If yes, state reason and give details*)
	✓	31. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DENIED LIFE INSURANCE? (*If yes, state reason and give details*)
✓		32. HAVE YOU HAD, OR HAVE YOU BEEN ADVISED TO HAVE, ANY OPERATIONS? (*If yes, describe and give age at which occurred*) APPENDECTOMY - 1947
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TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF EXAMINER | SIGNATURE W. A. Flanigan

40. PHYSICIAN'S SUMMARY AND ELABORATION OF ALL PERTINENT DATA (*Physician shall comment on all positive answers in items 20 thru 39*)

Appendectomy - good recovery - piles - asymptomatic

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN OR EXAMINER: G. R. JOHNSTON, CAPT, MC, USN | DATE: MAR 5 1958 | SIGNATURE: G R Johnston | NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS:

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CLINICAL RECORD | **ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHIC RECORD**

PREVIOUS ECG ☐ YES ☐ NO

CLINICAL IMPRESSION

MEDICATION

☐ EMERGENCY ☐ BEDSIDE
☐ ROUTINE ☐ AMBULANT

AGE	SEX	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	B. P.	SIGNATURE OF WARD PHYSICIAN	DATE
41			71	192		DR. JOHNSTON	3/5/58 1110

RHYTHM: Normal sinus

AXIS DEVIATION (QRS): +30°

RATES — AURIC. VENT. 75

INTERVALS — PR .16 QRS .04 QT

P WAVES

QRS COMPLEXES

RS—T SEGMENT

T WAVES: Inverted in III

UNIPOLAR EXTREMITY LF S (*Specify*)

PRECORDIAL LEADS (*Specify*)

SUMMARY, SERIAL CHANGES, AND IMPLICATIONS:

1. Within normal limits.
2. No significat change since 3/14/57.

(*Continue on reverse*)

NO.	SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE
ECG 18345	G. GORSUCH/rlc	LT MC USN	3/6/58

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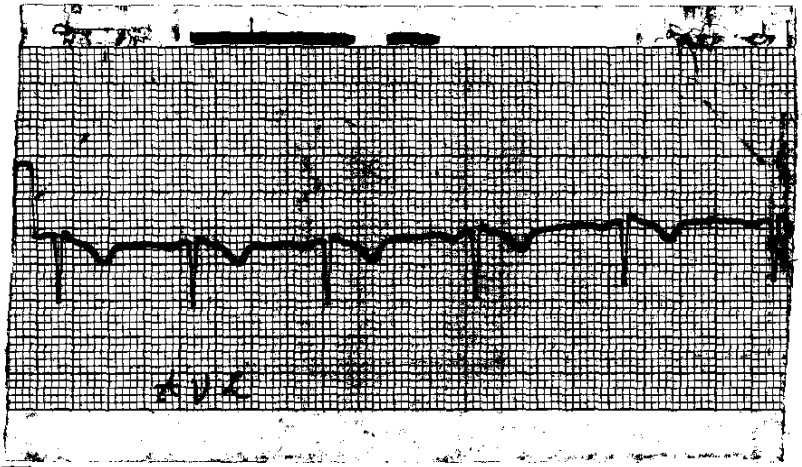
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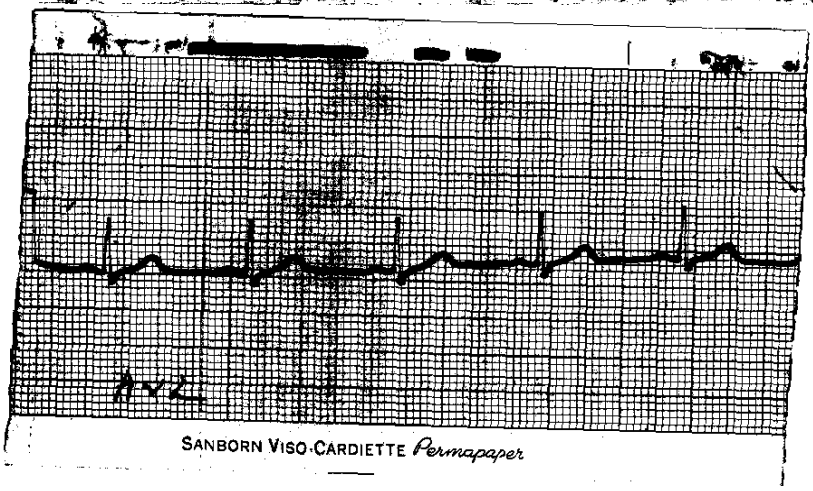
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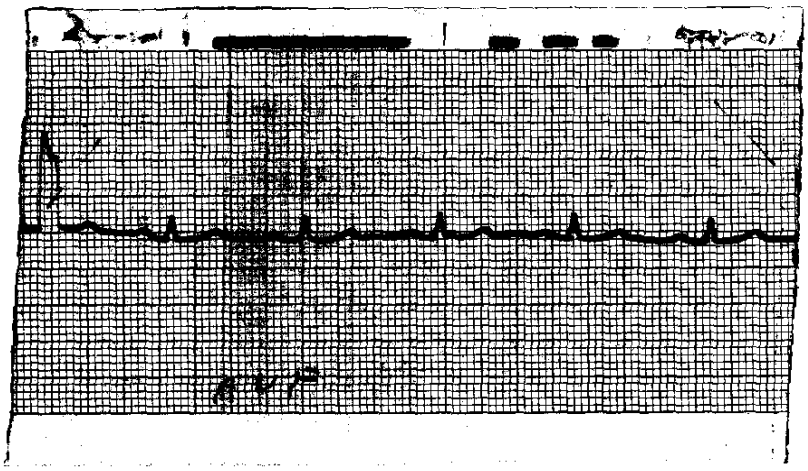
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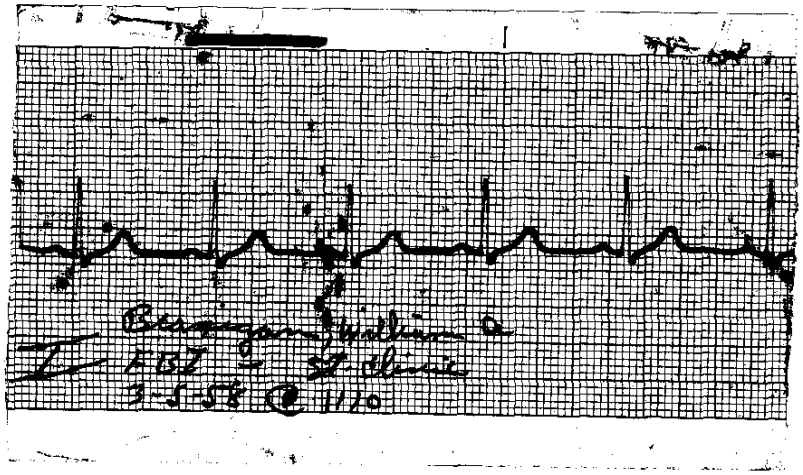
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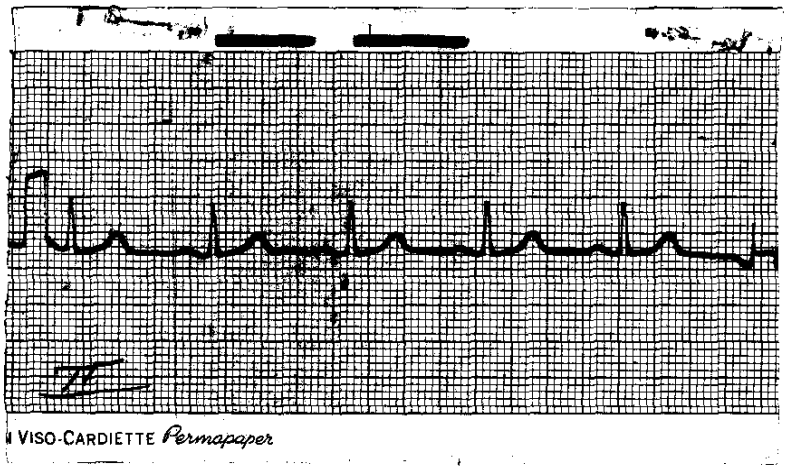
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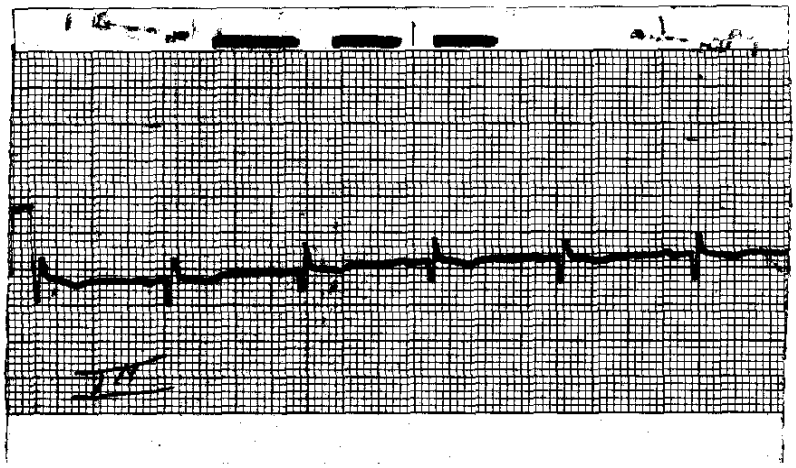

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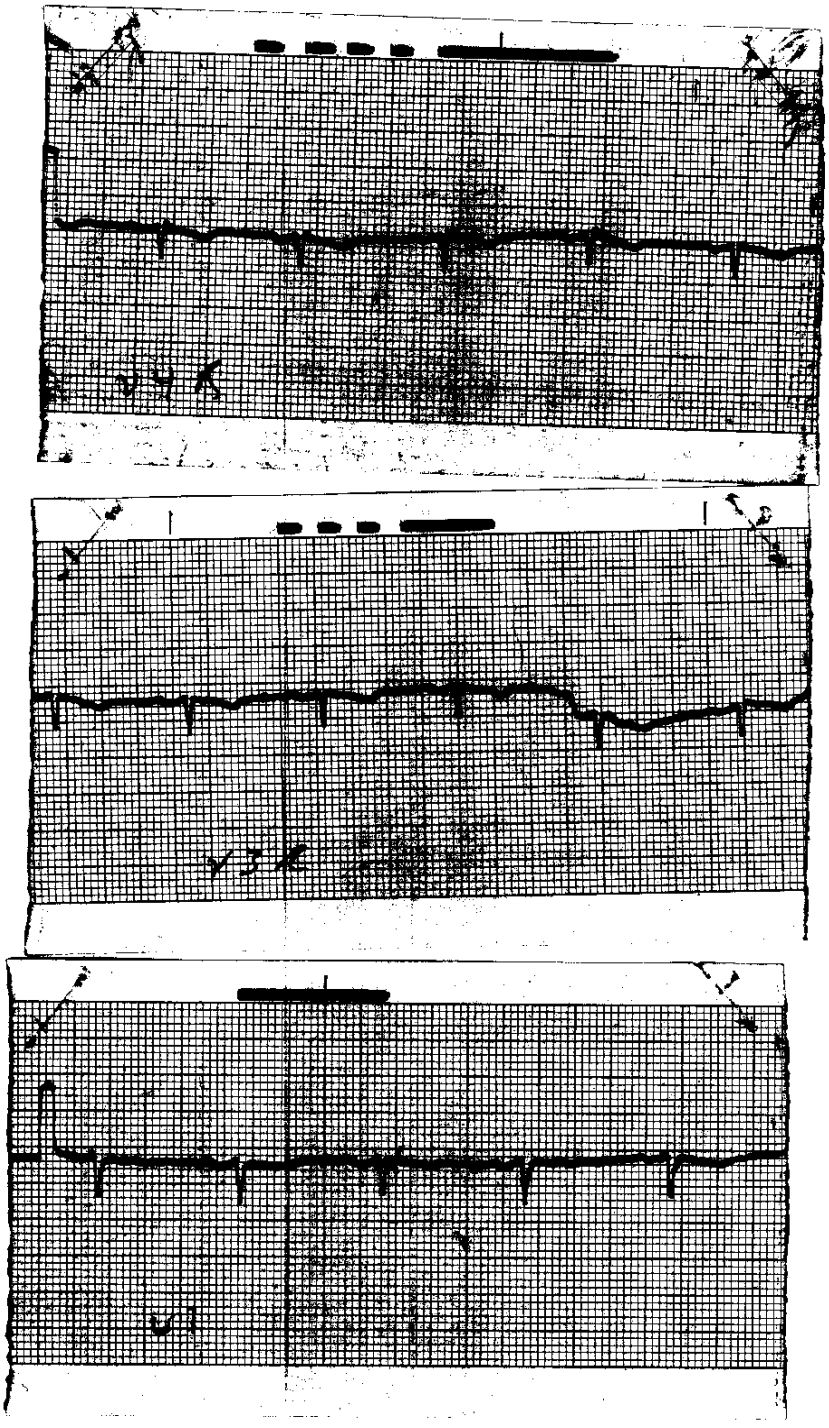

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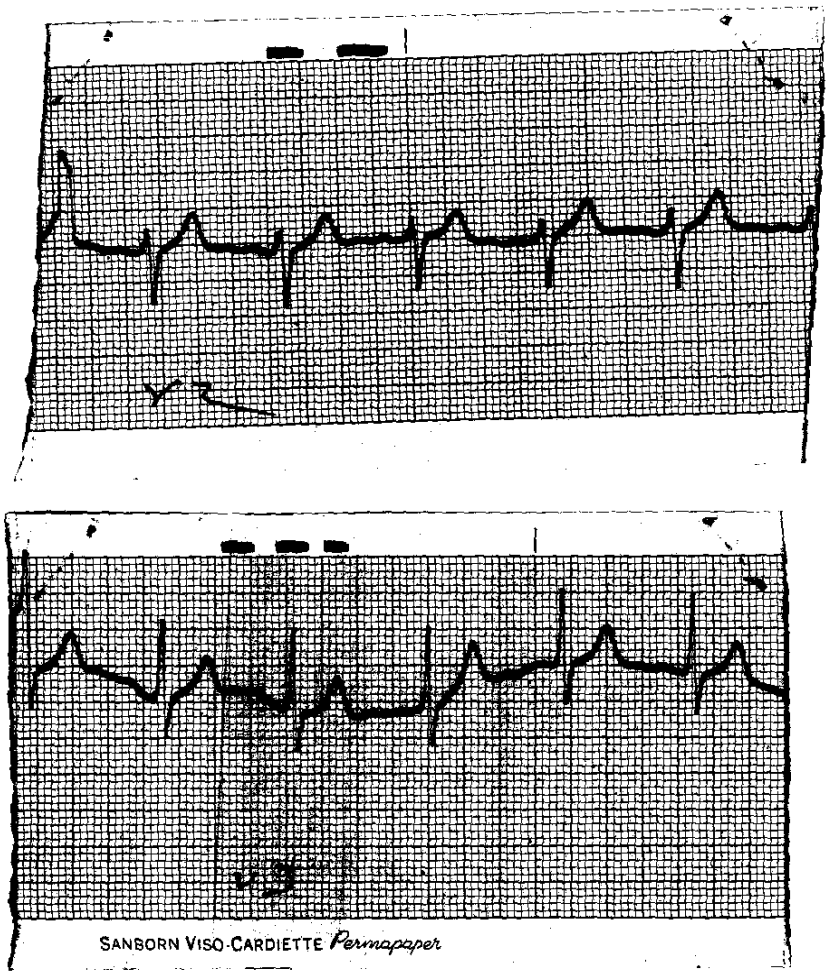


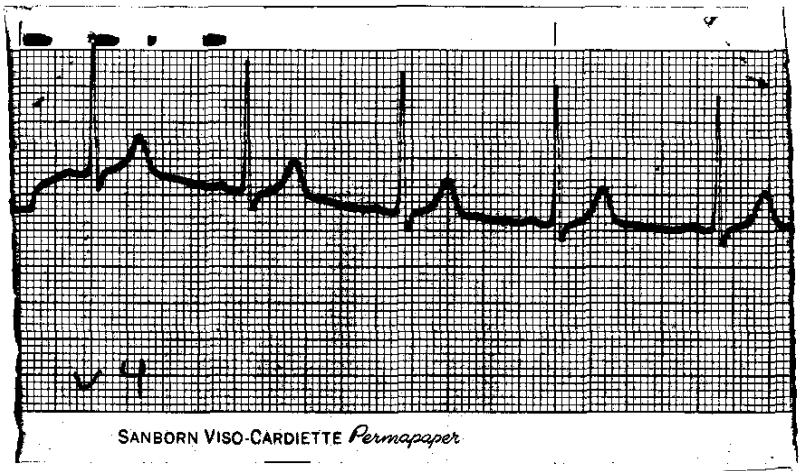


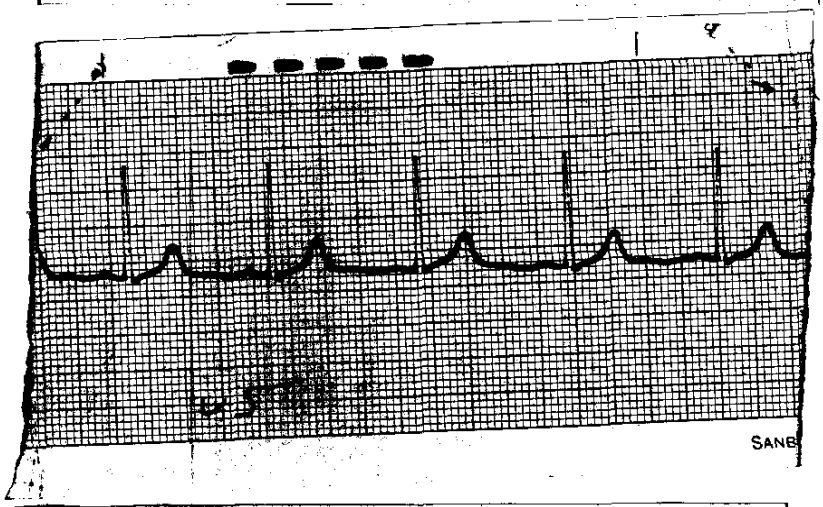
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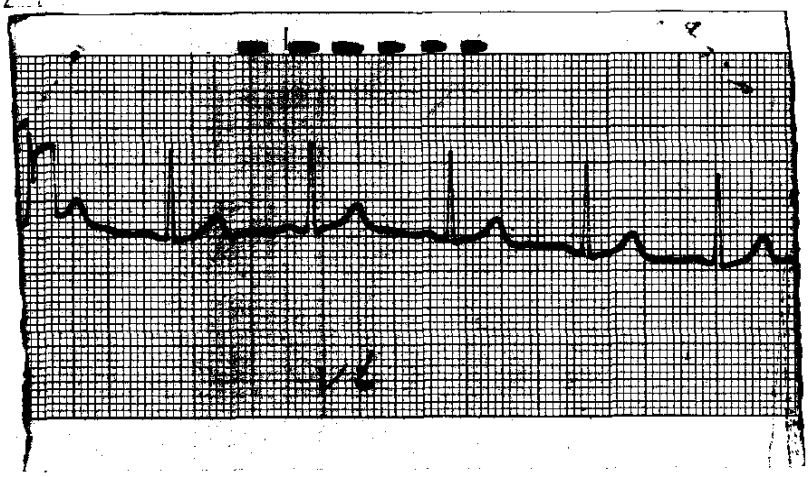





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BRANIGAN WILLIAM A		
4. HOME ADDRESS *(Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State)*	**5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION**	**6. DATE OF EXAMINATION**
		MAR 13 1957

7. SEX	8. RACE	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE MILITARY	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE CIVILIAN	10. DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, OR SERVICE	11. ORGANIZATION UNIT
M	W				

12. DATE OF BIRTH	13. PLACE OF BIRTH	14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
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15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS	16. OTHER INFORMATION

17. STATEMENT OF EXAMINEE'S PRESENT HEALTH IN OWN WORDS. *(Follow by description of past history, if complaint exists)*

Good

18. FAMILY HISTORY

RELATION	AGE	STATE OF HEALTH	IF DEAD, CAUSE OF DEATH	AGE AT DEATH
FATHER	80	Good		
MOTHER	82	Good		
SPOUSE	39	Good		
BROTHERS AND SISTERS	42	Good		
	38	Good		
CHILDREN	13	Good		
	9	Good		
	4	Good		
	2	Good		

19. HAS ANY BLOOD RELATION *(Parent, brother, sister, other)* OR HUSBAND OR WIFE:

YES	NO	*(Check each item)*	RELATION(S)
	✓	HAD TUBERCULOSIS	
	✓	HAD SYPHILIS	
	✓	HAD DIABETES	
✓		HAD CANCER	MOTHER
	✓	HAD KIDNEY TROUBLE	
	✓	HAD HEART TROUBLE	
	✓	HAD STOMACH TROUBLE	
✓		HAD RHEUMATISM *(Arthritis)*	MOTHER
	✓	HAD ASTHMA, HAY FEVER, HIVES	
	✓	HAD EPILEPSY *(Fits)*	
	✓	COMMITTED SUICIDE	
	✓	BEEN INSANE	

20. HAVE YOU EVER HAD OR HAVE YOU NOW *(Place check at left of each item)*

YES	NO	*(Check each item)*	YES	NO	*(Check each item)*	YES	NO	*(Check each item)*	YES	NO	*(Check each item)*
	✓	SCARLET FEVER, ERYSIPELAS		✓	GOITER	✓		TUMOR, GROWTH, CYST, CANCER		✓	"TRICK" OR LOCKED KNEE
	✓	DIPHTHERIA		✓	TUBERCULOSIS		✓	RUPTURE		✓	FOOT TROUBLE
	✓	RHEUMATIC FEVER		✓	SOAKING SWEATS *(Night sweats)*	✓		APPENDICITIS		✓	NEURITIS
	✓	SWOLLEN OR PAINFUL JOINTS		✓	ASTHMA	✓		PILES OR RECTAL DISEASE		✓	PARALYSIS *(Inc. infantile)*
✓		MUMPS		✓	SHORTNESS OF BREATH		✓	FREQUENT OR PAINFUL URINATION		✓	EPILEPSY OR FITS
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21. HAVE YOU EVER *(Check each item)*						22. FEMALES ONLY: A. HAVE YOU EVER—			B. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:	
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	✓	WORN AN ARTIFICIAL EYE		✓	BEEN A SLEEP WALKER			HAD A VAGINAL DISCHARGE		INTERVAL BETWEEN PERIODS
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23. HOW MANY JOBS HAVE YOU HAD IN THE PAST THREE YEARS?	24. WHAT IS THE LONGEST PERIOD YOU HELD ANY OF THESE JOBS? MONTHS	25. WHAT IS YOUR USUAL OCCUPATION?	26. ARE YOU *(Check one)*
1		SP. AGT. - F&I	☐ RIGHT HANDED ☑ LEFT HANDED

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YES	NO	CHECK EACH ITEM YES OR NO. EVERY ITEM CHECKED "YES" MUST BE FULLY EXPLAINED IN BLANK SPACE ON RIGHT
	✓	27. HAVE YOU BEEN UNABLE TO HOLD A JOB BECAUSE OF: A. SENSITIVITY TO CHEMICALS, DUST, SUNLIGHT, ETC.
		B. INABILITY TO PERFORM CERTAIN MOTIONS
		C. INABILITY TO ASSUME CERTAIN POSITIONS
		D. OTHER MEDICAL REASONS (*If yes, give reasons*)
	✓	28. HAVE YOU EVER WORKED WITH RADIOACTIVE SUBSTANCE?
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	✓	31. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DENIED LIFE INSURANCE? (*If yes, state reason and give details*)
✓		32. HAVE YOU HAD, OR HAVE YOU BEEN ADVISED TO HAVE, ANY OPERATIONS? (*If yes, describe and give age at which occurred*) APPENDECTOMY - 1945
	✓	33. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN A PATIENT (*committed or voluntary*) IN A MENTAL HOSPITAL OR SANATORIUM? (*If yes, specify when, where, why, and name of doctor, and complete address of hospital or clinic*)
	✓	34. HAVE YOU EVER HAD ANY ILLNESS OR INJURY OTHER THAN THOSE ALREADY NOTED? (*If yes, specify when, where, and give details*)
✓	✓	35. HAVE YOU CONSULTED OR BEEN TREATED BY CLINICS, PHYSICIANS, HEALERS, OR OTHER PRACTITIONERS WITHIN THE PAST 5 YEARS? (*If yes, give complete address of doctor, hospital, clinic, and details*)
	✓	36. HAVE YOU TREATED YOURSELF FOR ILLNESSES OTHER THAN MINOR COLDS? (*If yes, which illnesses*)
	✓	37. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REJECTED FOR MILITARY SERVICE BECAUSE OF PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR OTHER REASONS? (*If yes, give date and reason for rejection*)
	✓	38. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DISCHARGED FROM MILITARY SERVICE BECAUSE OF PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR OTHER REASONS? (*If yes, give date, reason, and type of discharge: whether honorable, other than honorable, for unfitness or unsuitability*)
	✓	39. HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED, IS THERE PENDING, HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR, OR DO YOU INTEND TO APPLY FOR PENSION OR COMPENSATION FOR EXISTING DISABILITY? (*If yes, specify what kind, granted by whom, and what amount, when, why*)

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE REVIEWED THE FOREGOING INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY ME AND THAT IT IS TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.
I AUTHORIZE ANY OF THE DOCTORS, HOSPITALS, OR CLINICS MENTIONED ABOVE TO FURNISH THE GOVERNMENT A COMPLETE TRANSCRIPT OF MY MEDICAL RECORD FOR PURPOSES OF PROCESSING MY APPLICATION FOR THIS EMPLOYMENT OR SERVICE.

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF EXAMINEE

SIGNATURE William G. Bromyard

40. PHYSICIAN'S SUMMARY AND ELABORATION OF ALL PERTINENT DATA (*Physician shall comment on all positive answers in items 20 thru 39*)

Little trouble from ~~hemorrhoids~~ sinusitis, appendectomy + hemorrhoidectomy

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN OR EXAMINER	DATE	SIGNATURE	NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS
[redacted]	MAR 13 1957	[redacted]	

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CLINICAL RECORD | ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHIC RECORD

PREVIOUS ECG ☐ YES ☐ NO

CLINICAL IMPRESSION

MEDICATION

☐ EMERGENCY ☐ BEDSIDE
☐ ROUTINE ☐ AMBULANT

AGE	SEX	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	B. P.	SIGNATURE OF WARD PHYSICIAN	DATE
40			71½"	191		Dr. Johnston	3/13/57@1045

RHYTHM: Normal sinus

AXIS DEVIATION (QRS): Normal

RATES: AURIC. VENT. 80/min

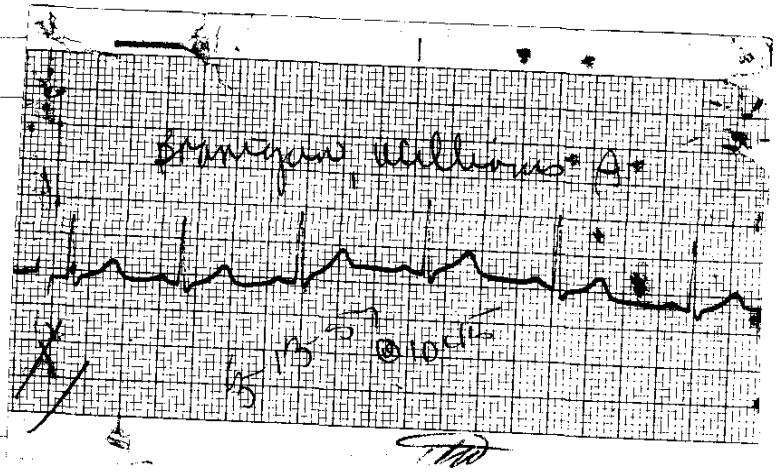
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P WAVES: Normal

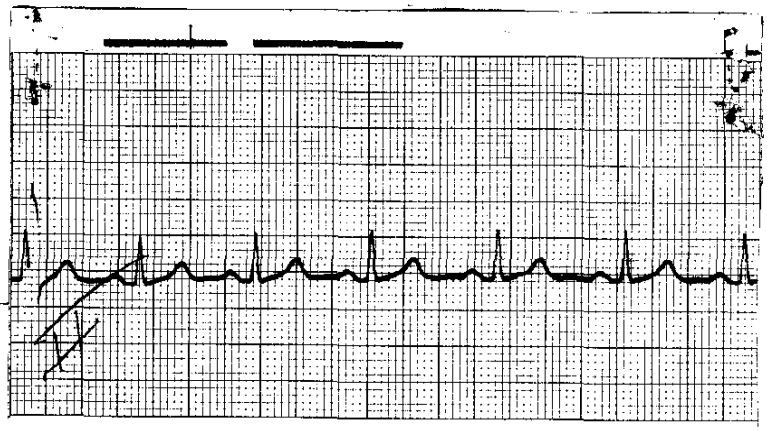
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RS—T SEGMENT

UNIPOLAR EXTREMITY LEADS (*Specify*)



PRECORDIAL LEADS (*Specify*)



SUMMARY, SERIAL CHANGES, AND IMPLICATIONS:

1. Within normal limits.
2. No significant change since 3/13/56

(*Continue on reverse*)

NO.	SIGNATURE	TITLE	DATE
ECG 18343	G.I.SHUGOLL /aes	LT MC USN	3/14/57

PATIENT'S IDENTIFICATION (*For typed or written entries give: Name—last, first, middle; grade; date; hospital or medical facility*)

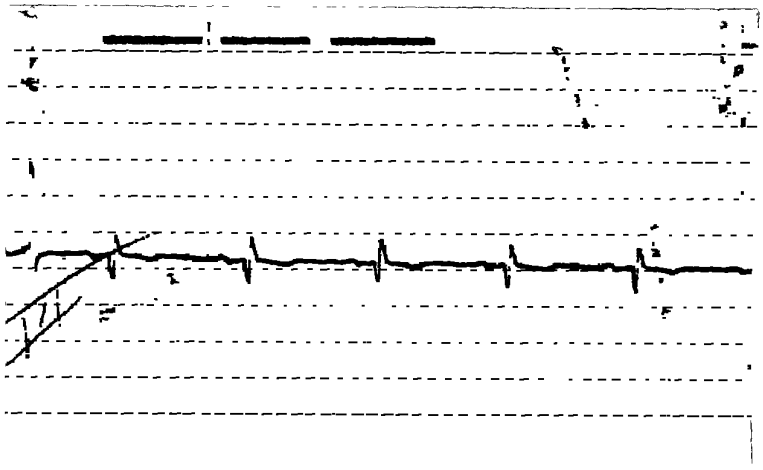
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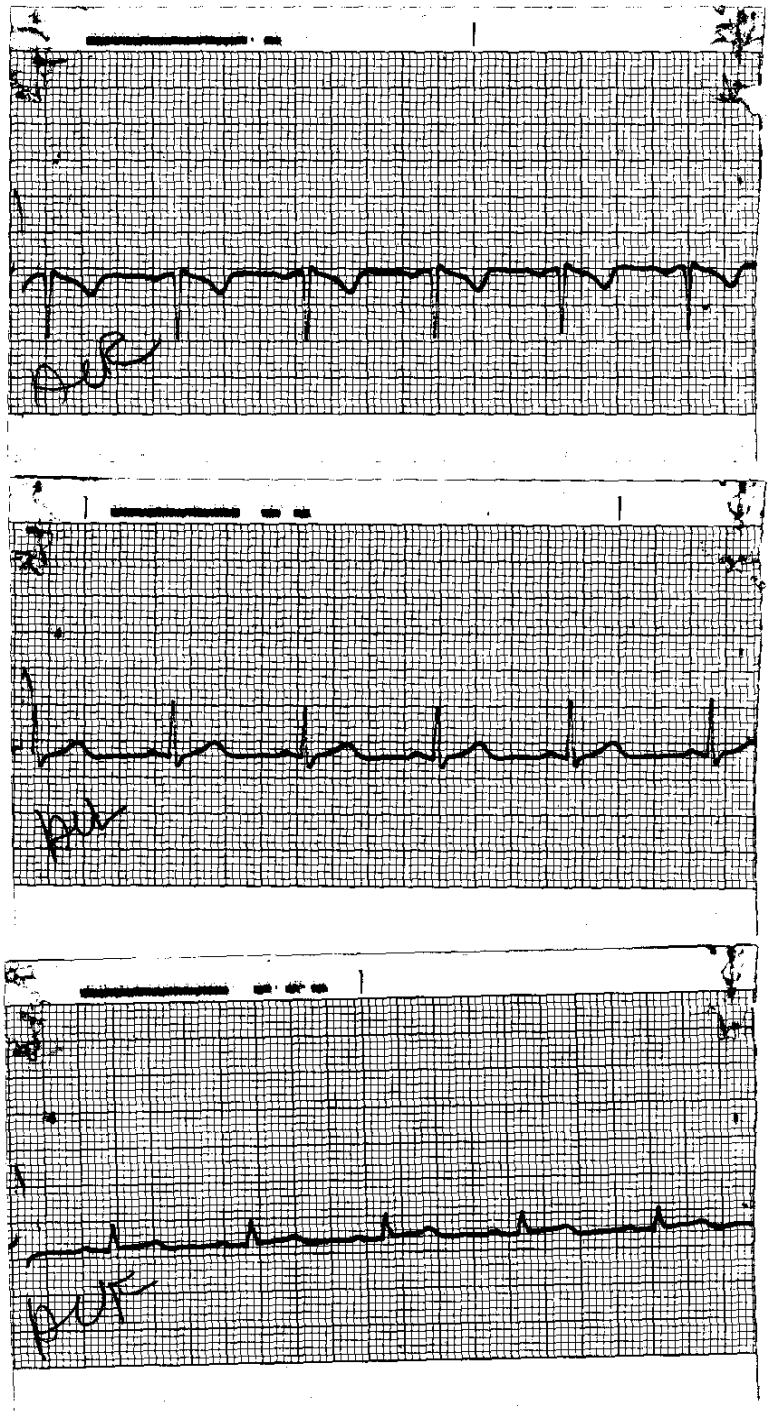
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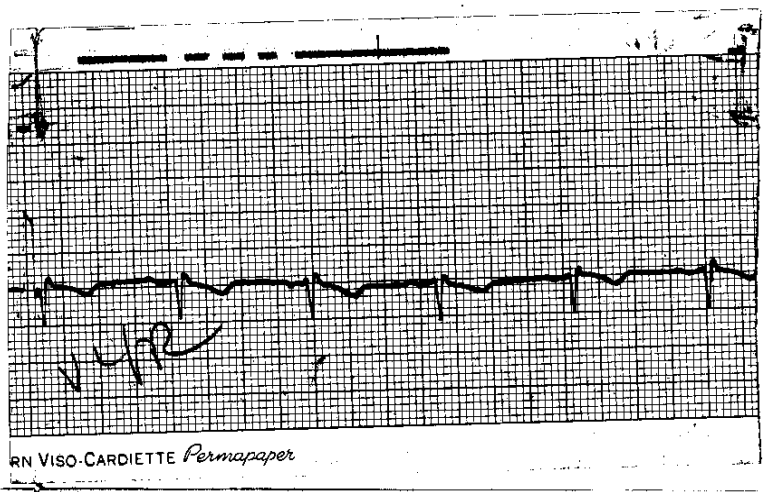
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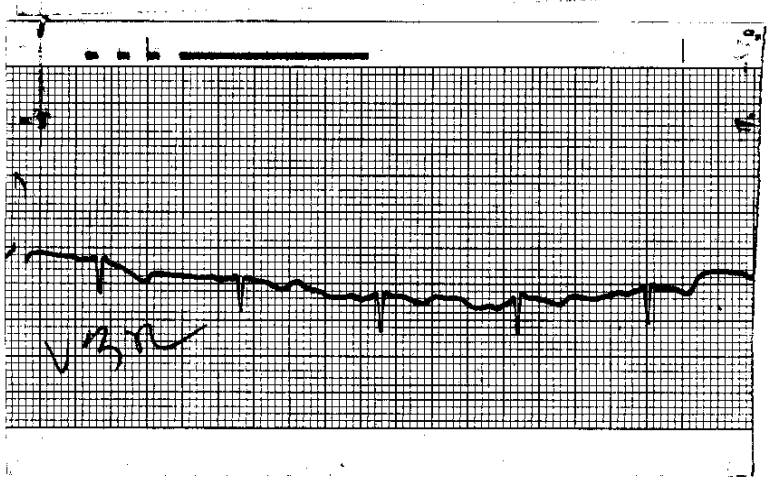
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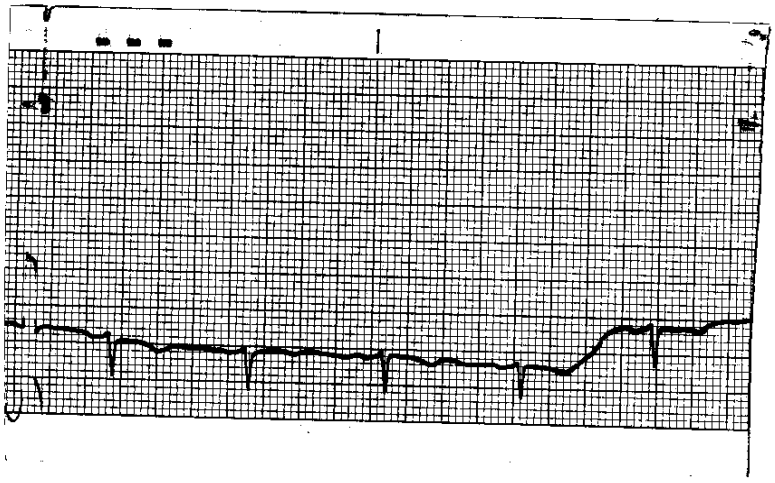


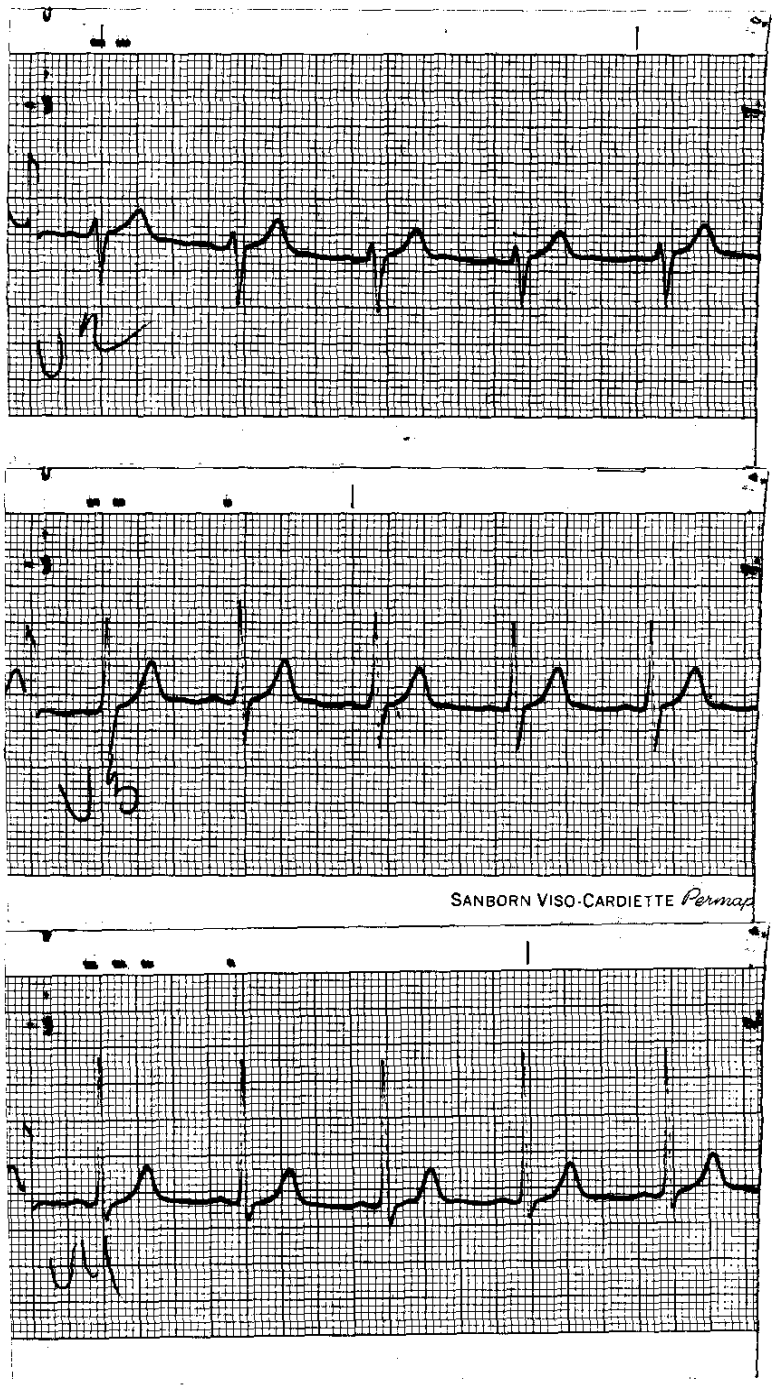


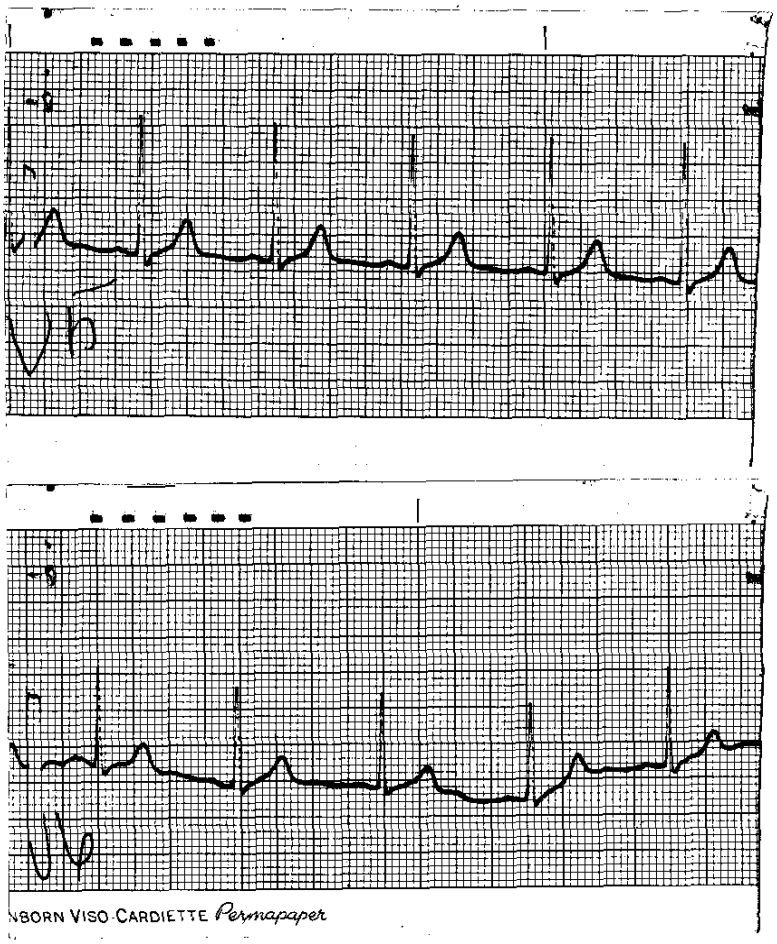


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REPORT OF MEDICAL HISTORY

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1. LAST NAME—FIRST NAME—MIDDLE NAME	2. GRADE AND COMPONENT OR POSITION	3. IDENTIFICATION NO.
BRANIGAN WILLIAM A		
4. HOME ADDRESS *(Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State)*	**5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION**	**6. DATE OF EXAMINATION**
		MAR 13 1956

7. SEX	8. RACE	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE MILITARY	CIVILIAN	10. DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, OR SERVICE	11. ORGANIZATION UNIT
M	WHITE				

12. DATE OF BIRTH	13. PLACE OF BIRTH	14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
3/23/16	NEW YORK	

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Good

18. FAMILY HISTORY

RELATION	AGE	STATE OF HEALTH	IF DEAD, CAUSE OF DEATH	AGE AT DEATH
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MOTHER	84	Good		
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BROTHERS AND SISTERS	42	Good		
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19. HAS ANY BLOOD RELATION *(Parent, brother, sister, other)* OR HUSBAND OR WIFE:

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		HAD SYPHILIS	
		HAD DIABETES	
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YES	NO	CHECK EACH ITEM YES OR NO. EVERY ITEM CHECKED "YES" MUST BE FULLY EXPLAINED IN BLANK SPACE ON RIGHT
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TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF EXAMINEE

SIGNATURE William G Brannegan

40. PHYSICIAN'S SUMMARY AND ELABORATION OF ALL PERTINENT DATA (*Physician shall comment on all positive answers in items 20 thru 39*)

Occassional sinusitis

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN OR EXAMINER	DATE	SIGNATURE	NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS
JOHNSTON, CAPT, MC, USN	MAR 13 1956	G R Johnston	

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CLINICAL RECORD — ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHIC RECORD

PREVIOUS ECG ☐ YES ☐ NO

CLINICAL IMPRESSION

MEDICATION

☐ EMERGENCY ☐ BEDSIDE
☐ ROUTINE ☐ AMBULANT

AGE	SEX	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	B. P.	SIGNATURE OF WARD PHYSICIAN	DATE
39	M		5'11"	196		Dr. Johnston	3-13-56@1045

RHYTHM: Normal sinus

AXIS DEVIATION (QRS): Intermediate

RATES: AURIC. VENT. 80

INTERVALS: PR .18 QRS .06 QT .32

P WAVES

QRS COMPLEXES

RS—T SEGMENT

T WAVES

UNIPOLAR EXTREMITY LEADS (*Specify*)

PRECORDIAL LEADS (*Specify*)

SUMMARY, SERIAL CHANGES, AND IMPLICATIONS:

Within normal limits.

(*Continue on reverse*)

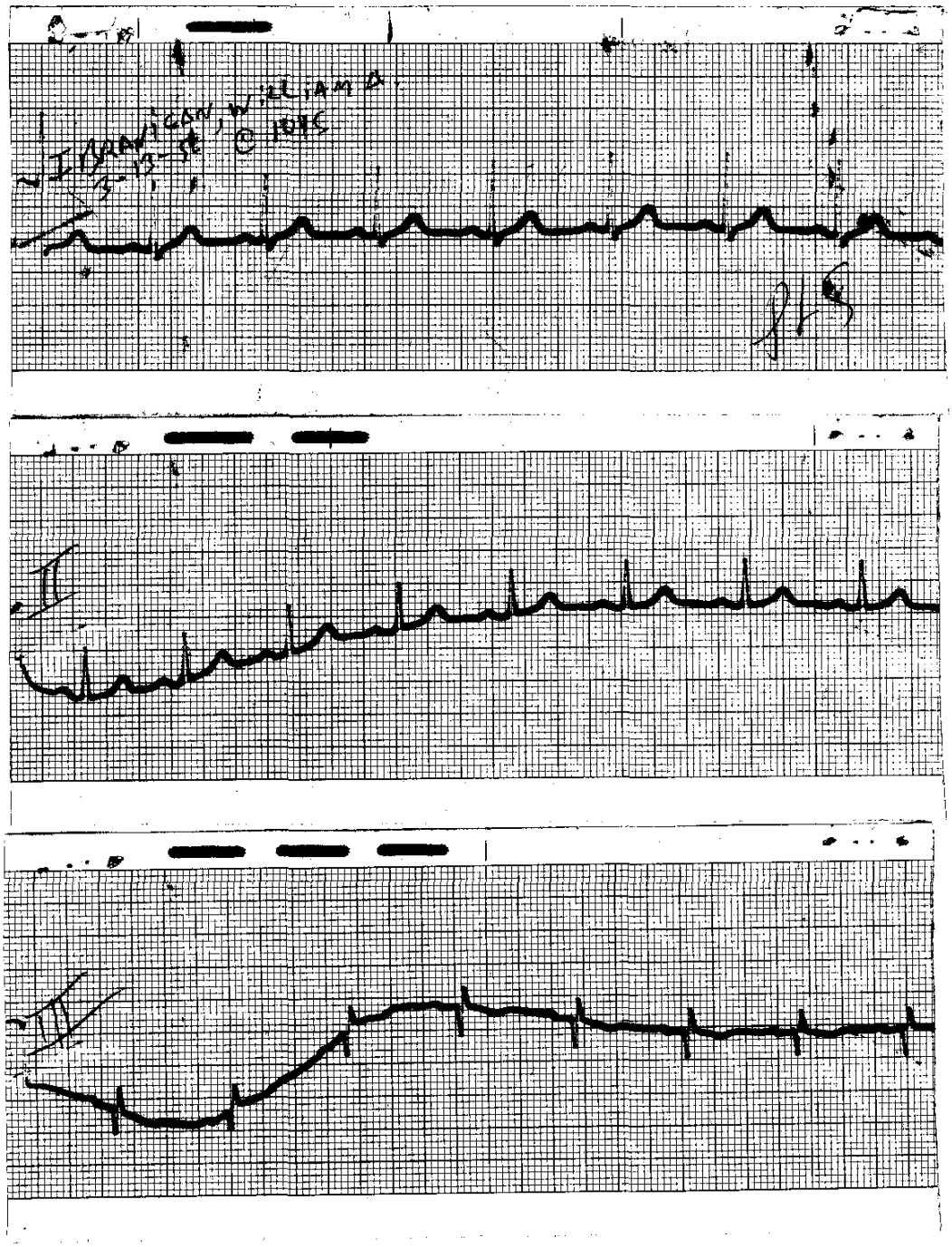
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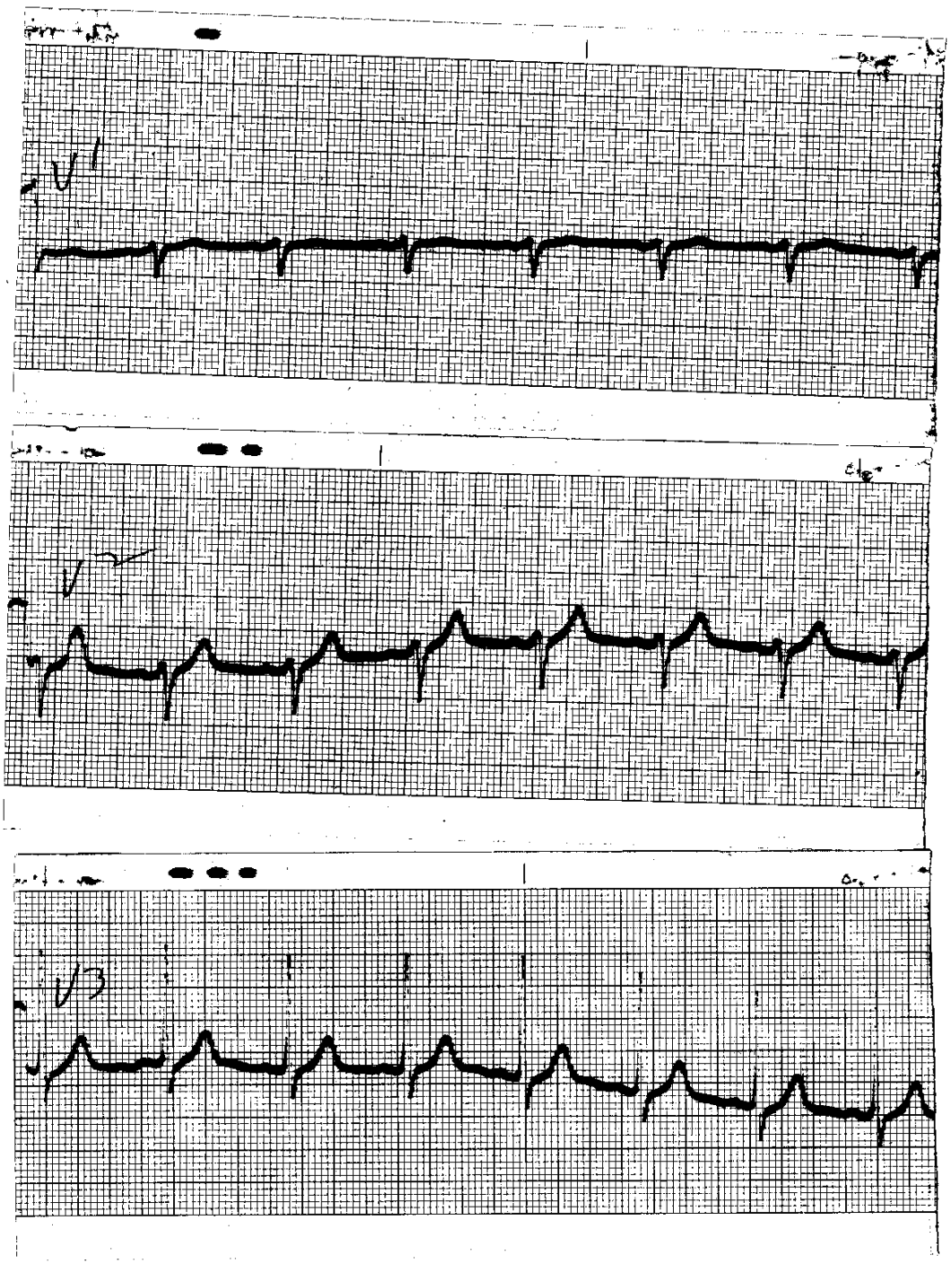
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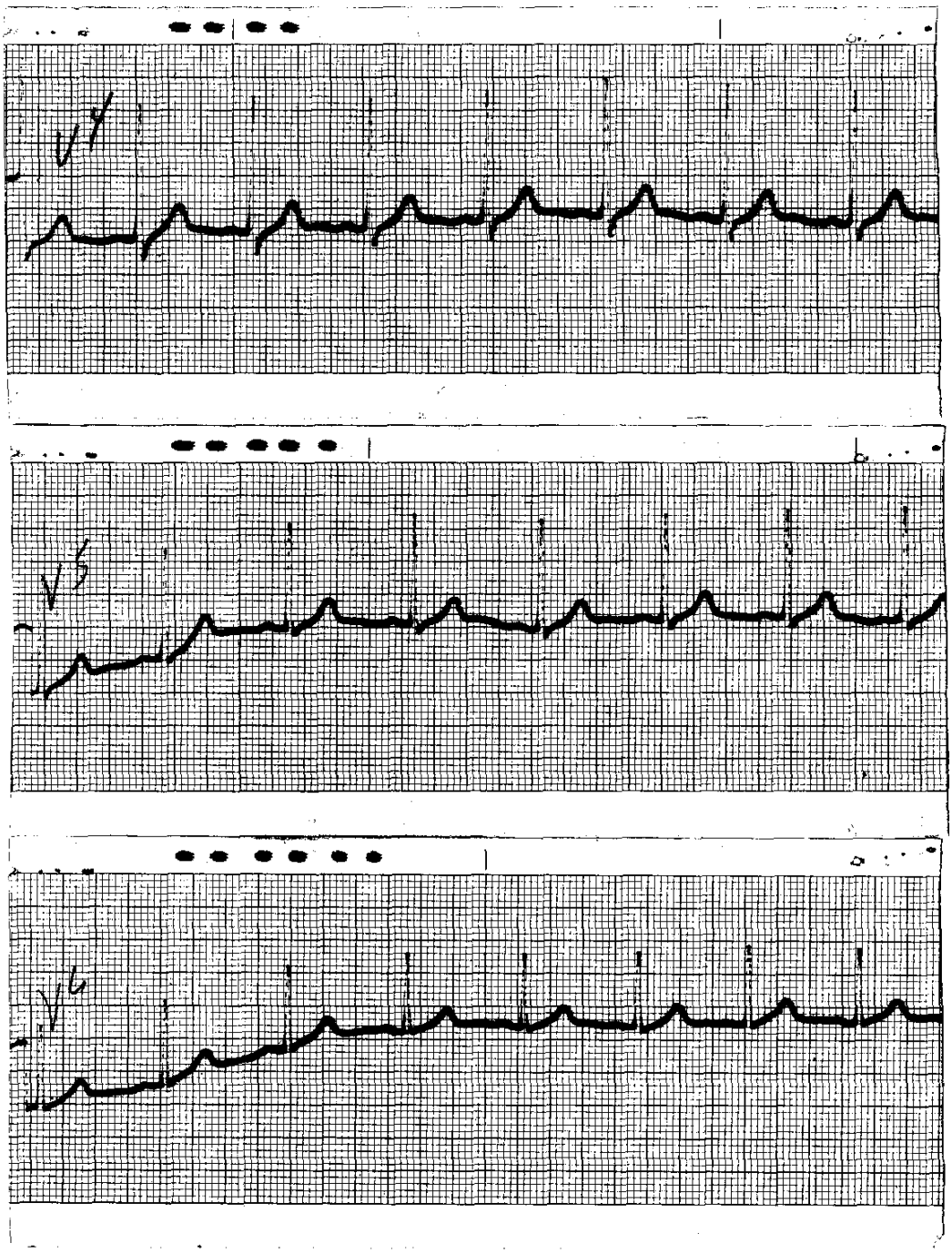
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BRANIGAN, WILLIAM A		
4. HOME ADDRESS *(Number, street or RFD, city or town, zone and State)*	**5. PURPOSE OF EXAMINATION**	**6. DATE OF EXAMINATION**
		MAR 28 1955

7. SEX	8. RACE	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE MILITARY	9. TOTAL YRS. GOVT. SERVICE CIVILIAN	10. DEPARTMENT, AGENCY, OR SERVICE	11. ORGANIZATION UNIT
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12. DATE OF BIRTH	13. PLACE OF BIRTH	14. NAME, RELATIONSHIP, AND ADDRESS OF NEXT OF KIN
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15. EXAMINING FACILITY OR EXAMINER, AND ADDRESS	16. OTHER INFORMATION

17. STATEMENT OF EXAMINEE'S PRESENT HEALTH IN OWN WORDS. *(Follow by description of past history, if complaint exists)*

GOOD

18. FAMILY HISTORY

RELATION	AGE	STATE OF HEALTH	IF DEAD, CAUSE OF DEATH	AGE AT DEATH
FATHER	74	FAIR		
MOTHER	76	FAIR		
SPOUSE	37	GOOD		
BROTHERS AND SISTERS	41	GOOD		
	37	GOOD		
CHILDREN	11	GOOD		
	8	GOOD		
	2	GOOD		
	9 MOS	GOOD		

19. HAS ANY BLOOD RELATION *(Parent, brother, sister, other)* OR HUSBAND OR WIFE:

YES	NO	*(Check each item)*	RELATION(S)
		HAD TUBERCULOSIS	
		HAD SYPHILIS	
		HAD DIABETES	
✓		HAD CANCER	MOTHER
		HAD KIDNEY TROUBLE	
		HAD HEART TROUBLE	
		HAD STOMACH TROUBLE	
		HAD RHEUMATISM *(Arthritis)*	MOTHER - FATHER
		HAD ASTHMA, HAY FEVER, HIVES	
		HAD EPILEPSY *(Fits)*	
		COMMITTED SUICIDE	
		BEEN INSANE	

20. HAVE YOU EVER HAD OR HAVE YOU NOW *(Place check at left of each item)*

YES	NO	*(Check each item)*	YES	NO	*(Check each item)*	YES	NO	*(Check each item)*	YES	NO	*(Check each item)*
	✓	SCARLET FEVER, ERYSIPELAS		✓	GOITER	✓		TUMOR, GROWTH, CYST, CANCER		✓	"TRICK" OR LOCKED KNEE
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21. HAVE YOU EVER *(Check each item)*				22. FEMALES ONLY: A. HAVE YOU EVER—		B. COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING:	
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	✓	WORN HEARING AIDS		LIVED WITH ANYONE WHO HAD TUBERCULOSIS		BEEN TREATED FOR A FEMALE DISORDER	DURATION OF PERIODS
	✓	STUTTERED OR STAMMERED		COUGHED UP BLOOD		HAD PAINFUL MENSTRUATION	DATE OF LAST PERIOD
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23. HOW MANY JOBS HAVE YOU HAD IN THE PAST THREE YEARS?	24. WHAT IS THE LONGEST PERIOD YOU HELD ANY OF THESE JOBS?	25. WHAT IS YOUR USUAL OCCUPATION?	26. ARE YOU *(Check one)*
1	MONTHS 18 yrs.	ST. AGT. FR I	☐ RIGHT HANDED ☑ LEFT HANDED

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YES	NO	CHECK EACH ITEM YES OR NO. EVERY ITEM CHECKED "YES" MUST BE FULLY EXPLAINED IN BLANK SPACE ON RIGHT	
	✓	27. HAVE YOU BEEN UNABLE TO HOLD A JOB BECAUSE OF: A. SENSITIVITY TO CHEMICALS, DUST, SUNLIGHT, ETC.	
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	✓	35. HAVE YOU CONSULTED OR BEEN TREATED BY CLINICS, PHYSICIANS, HEALERS, OR OTHER PRACTITIONERS WITHIN THE PAST 5 YEARS? (*If yes, give complete address of doctor, hospital, clinic, and details*)	
	✓	36. HAVE YOU TREATED YOURSELF FOR ILLNESSES OTHER THAN MINOR COLDS? (*If yes, which illnesses*)	
	✓	37. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN REJECTED FOR MILITARY SERVICE BECAUSE OF PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR OTHER REASONS? (*If yes, give date and reason for rejection*)	
	✓	38. HAVE YOU EVER BEEN DISCHARGED FROM MILITARY SERVICE BECAUSE OF PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR OTHER REASONS? (*If yes, give date, reason, and type of discharge: whether honorable, other than honorable, for unfitness or unsuitability*)	
	✓	39. HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED, IS THERE PENDING, HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR, OR DO YOU INTEND TO APPLY FOR PENSION OR COMPENSATION FOR EXISTING DISABILITY? (*If yes, specify what kind, granted by whom, and what amount, when, why*)	

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE REVIEWED THE FOREGOING INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY ME AND THAT IT IS TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE. I AUTHORIZE ANY OF THE DOCTORS, HOSPITALS, OR CLINICS MENTIONED ABOVE TO FURNISH THE GOVERNMENT A COMPLETE TRANSCRIPT OF MY MEDICAL RECORD FOR PURPOSES OF PROCESSING MY APPLICATION FOR THIS EMPLOYMENT OR SERVICE.

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF EXAMINEE	SIGNATURE
	William A Bromigan

40. PHYSICIAN'S SUMMARY AND ELABORATION OF ALL PERTINENT DATA (*Physician shall comment on all positive answers in items 20 thru 39*)

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN OR EXAMINER	DATE	SIGNATURE	NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS

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PREVIOUS ECG ☐ YES ☐ NO

CLINICAL IMPRESSION

MEDICATION

☐ EMERGENCY ☐ BEDSIDE
☐ ROUTINE ☐ AMBULANT

AGE	SEX	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	B. P.	SIGNATURE OF WARD PHYSICIAN	DATE
39	M		5'11"	198		Dr. Aspen	3-28-55

RHYTHM: Normal rhythm

AXIS DEVIATION (QRS):

RATES: AURIC. VENT. 90

INTERVALS: PR .16 QRS .08 QT

P WAVES:

QRS COMPLEXES:

RS—T SEGMENT:

T WAVES: Upright T - 1 & 2. Flat T - 3.

UNIPOLAR EXTREMITY LEADS (*Specify*)

PRECORDIAL LEADS (*Specify*)

Inverted T-V1. Upright T-V2 thru V6.

SUMMARY, SERIAL CHANGES, AND IMPLICATIONS:

Normal electrocardiogram.

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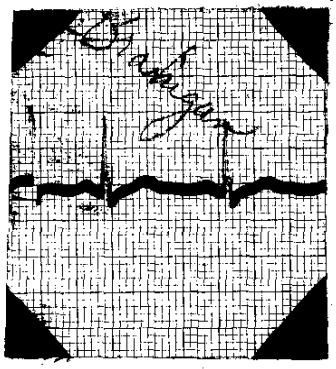
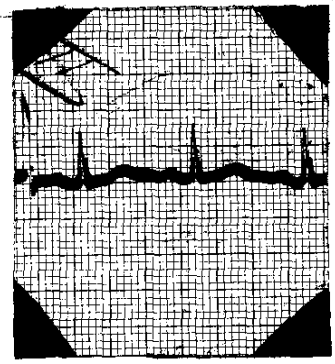
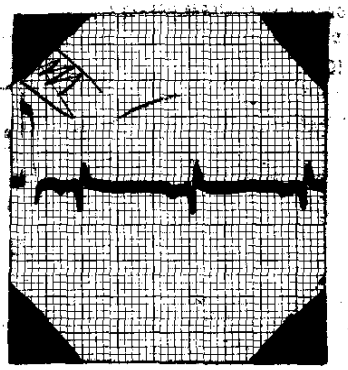
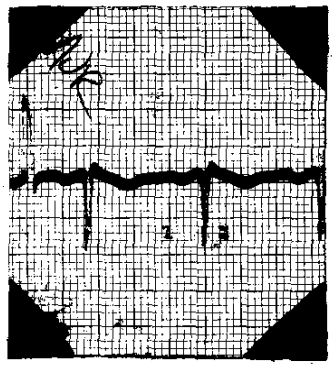
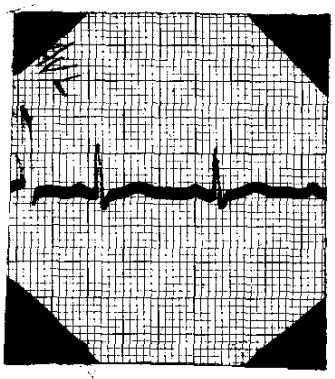
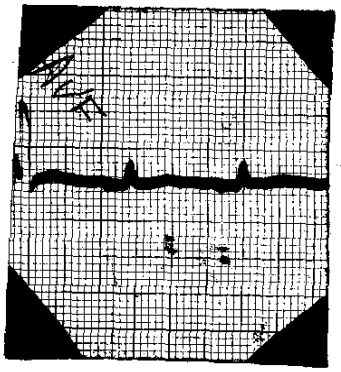
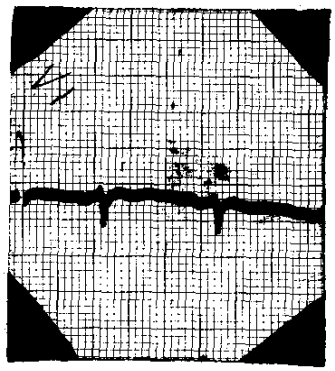
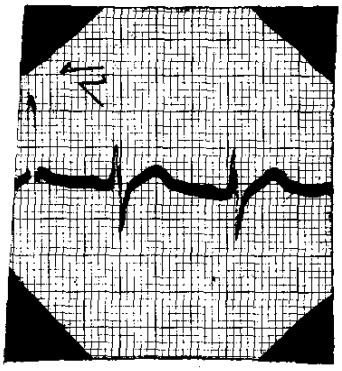
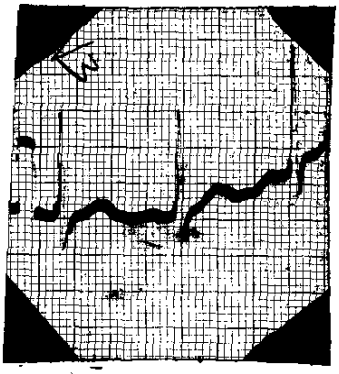
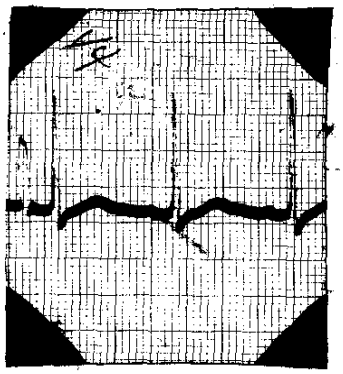
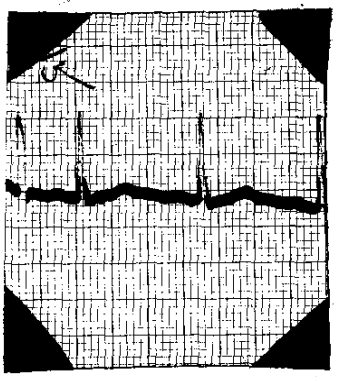
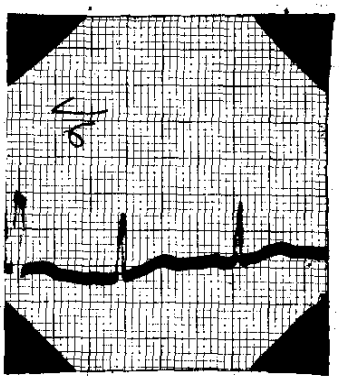
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	✓	39. HAVE YOU EVER RECEIVED, IS THERE PENDING, HAVE YOU APPLIED FOR, OR DO YOU INTEND TO APPLY FOR PENSION OR COMPENSATION FOR EXISTING DISABILITY? (*If yes, specify what kind, granted by whom, and what amount, when, why*)

I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE REVIEWED THE FOREGOING INFORMATION SUPPLIED BY ME AND THAT IT IS TRUE AND COMPLETE TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE.
I AUTHORIZE ANY OF THE DOCTORS, HOSPITALS, OR CLINICS MENTIONED ABOVE TO FURNISH THE GOVERNMENT A COMPLETE TRANSCRIPT OF MY MEDICAL RECORD FOR PURPOSES OF PROCESSING MY APPLICATION FOR THIS EMPLOYMENT OR SERVICE.

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF EXAMINEE	SIGNATURE
	D. A. Flanigan

40. PHYSICIAN'S SUMMARY AND ELABORATION OF ALL PERTINENT DATA (*Physician shall comment on all positive answers in items 20 thru 39*)

TYPED OR PRINTED NAME OF PHYSICIAN OR EXAMINER	DATE	SIGNATURE	NUMBER OF ATTACHED SHEETS

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PREVIOUS ECG ☐ YES ☐ NO

CLINICAL IMPRESSION

MEDICATION

☐ EMERGENCY ☐ BEDSIDE
☐ ROUTINE ☐ AMBULANT

AGE	SEX	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	B. P.	SIGNATURE OF WARD PHYSICIAN	DATE
38½	M		70½"	192		Dr. Olmstead	4-1-54

RHYTHM: NORMAL SINUS

AXIS DEVIATION (QRS): NORMAL

RATES: AURIC. VENT. 83

INTERVALS: PR .16 QRS .05 QT .33

P WAVES

QRS COMPLEXES

RS—T SEGMENT

T WAVES

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SUMMARY, SERIAL CHANGES, AND IMPLICATIONS:

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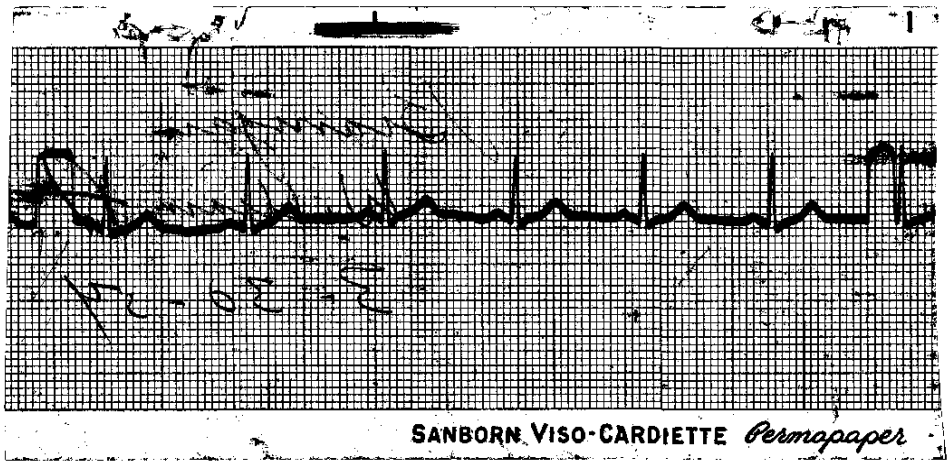
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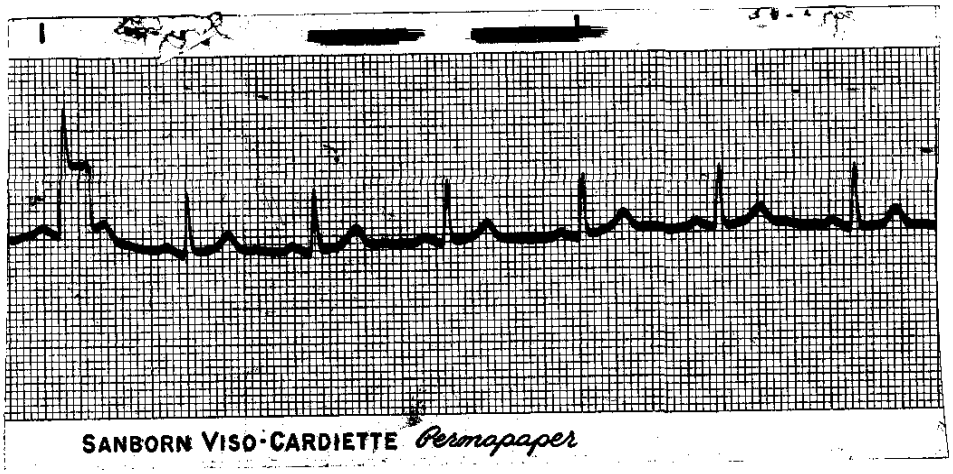
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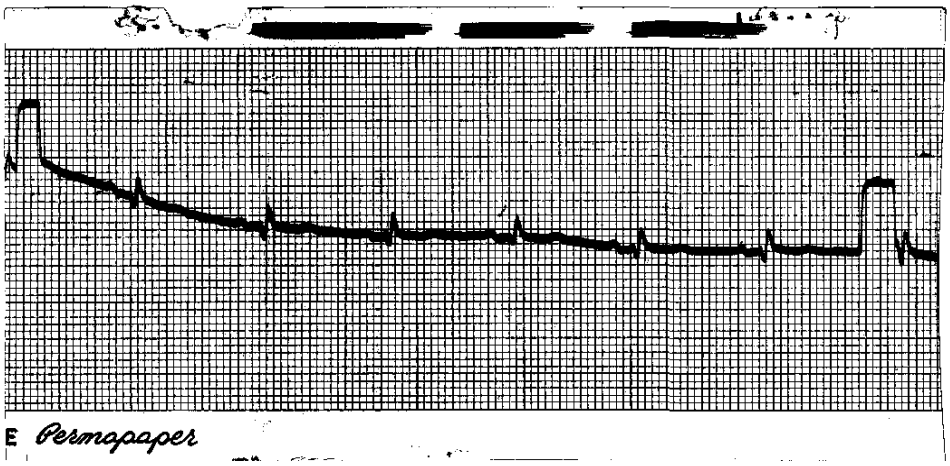
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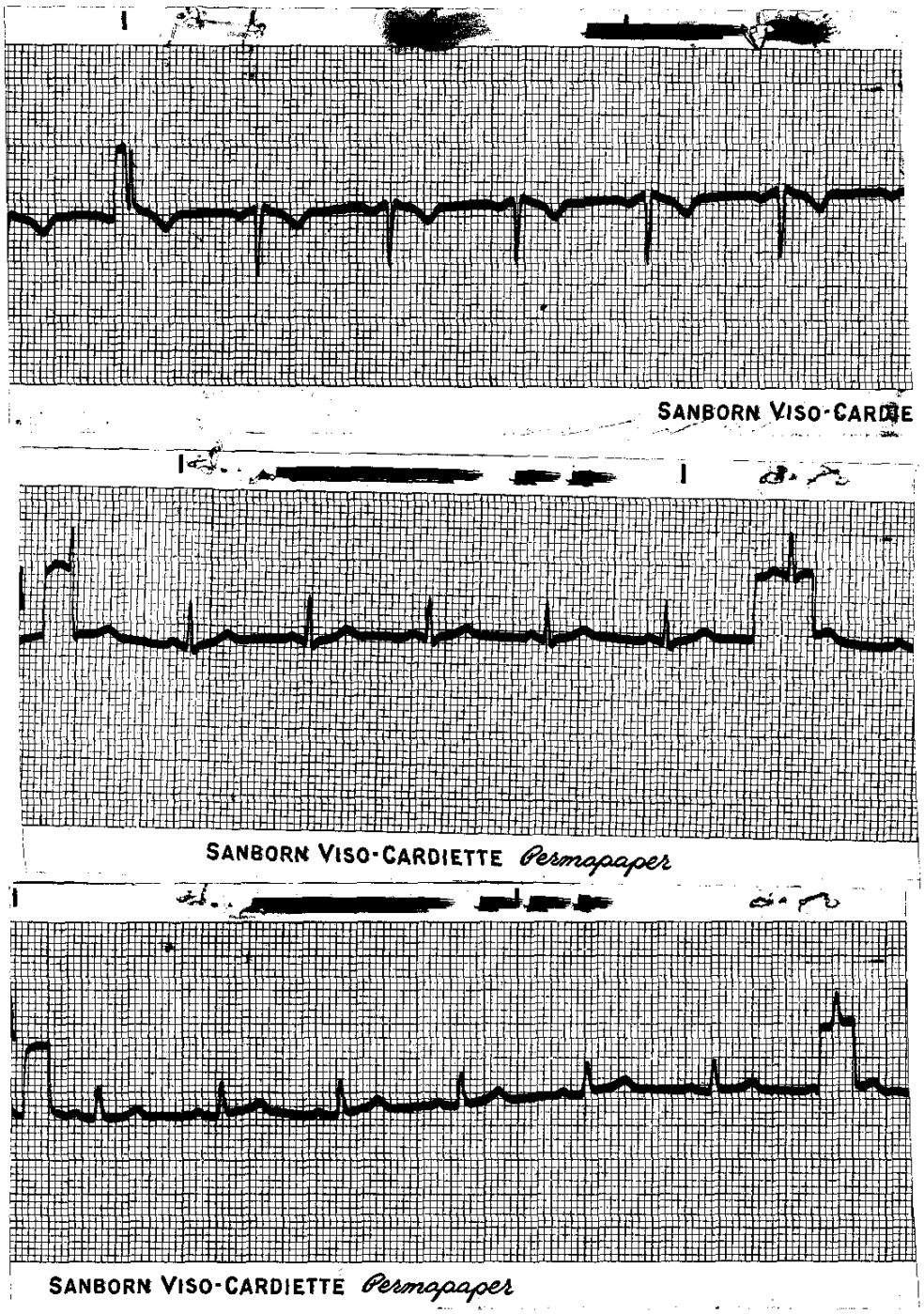
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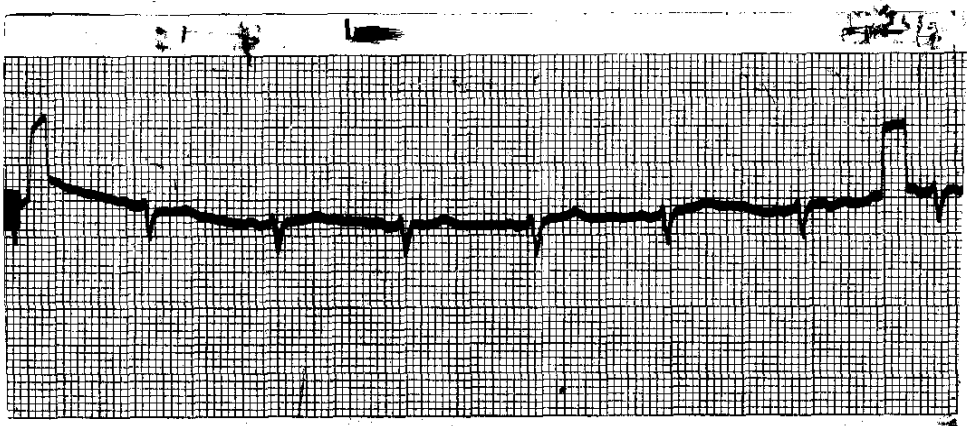
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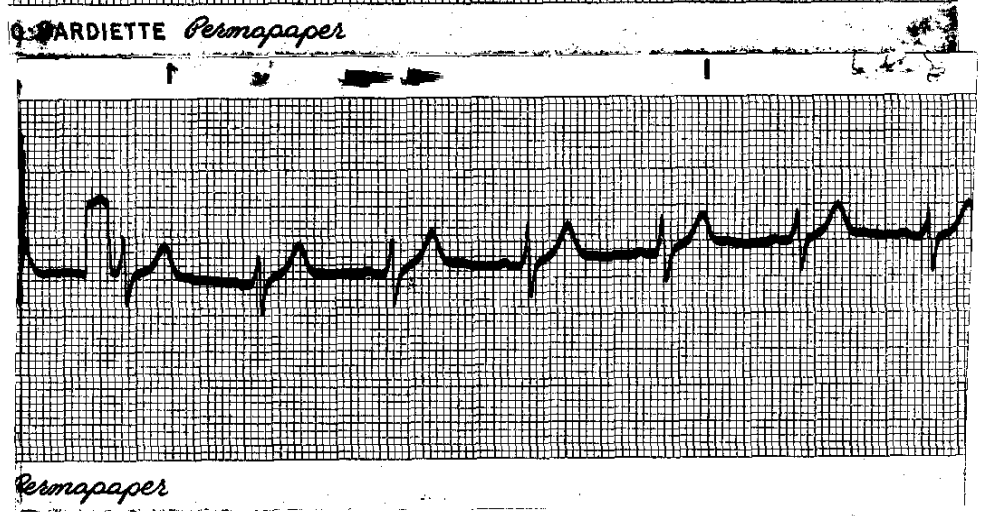

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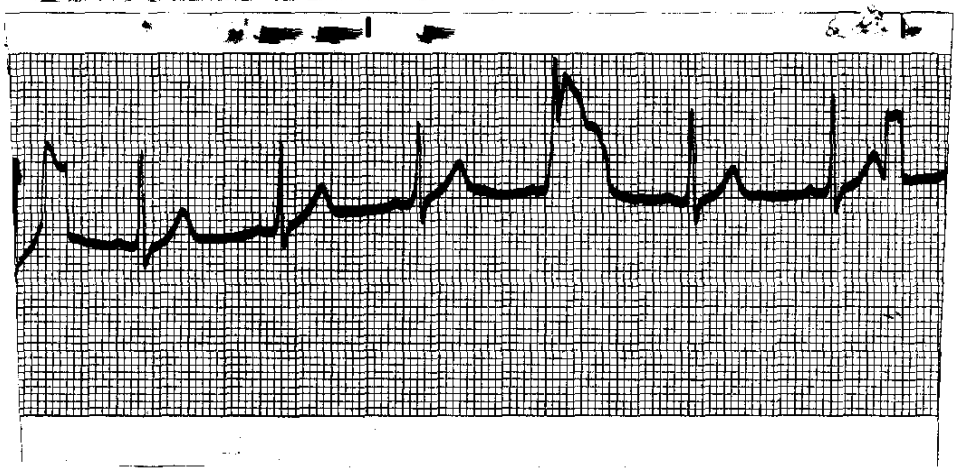

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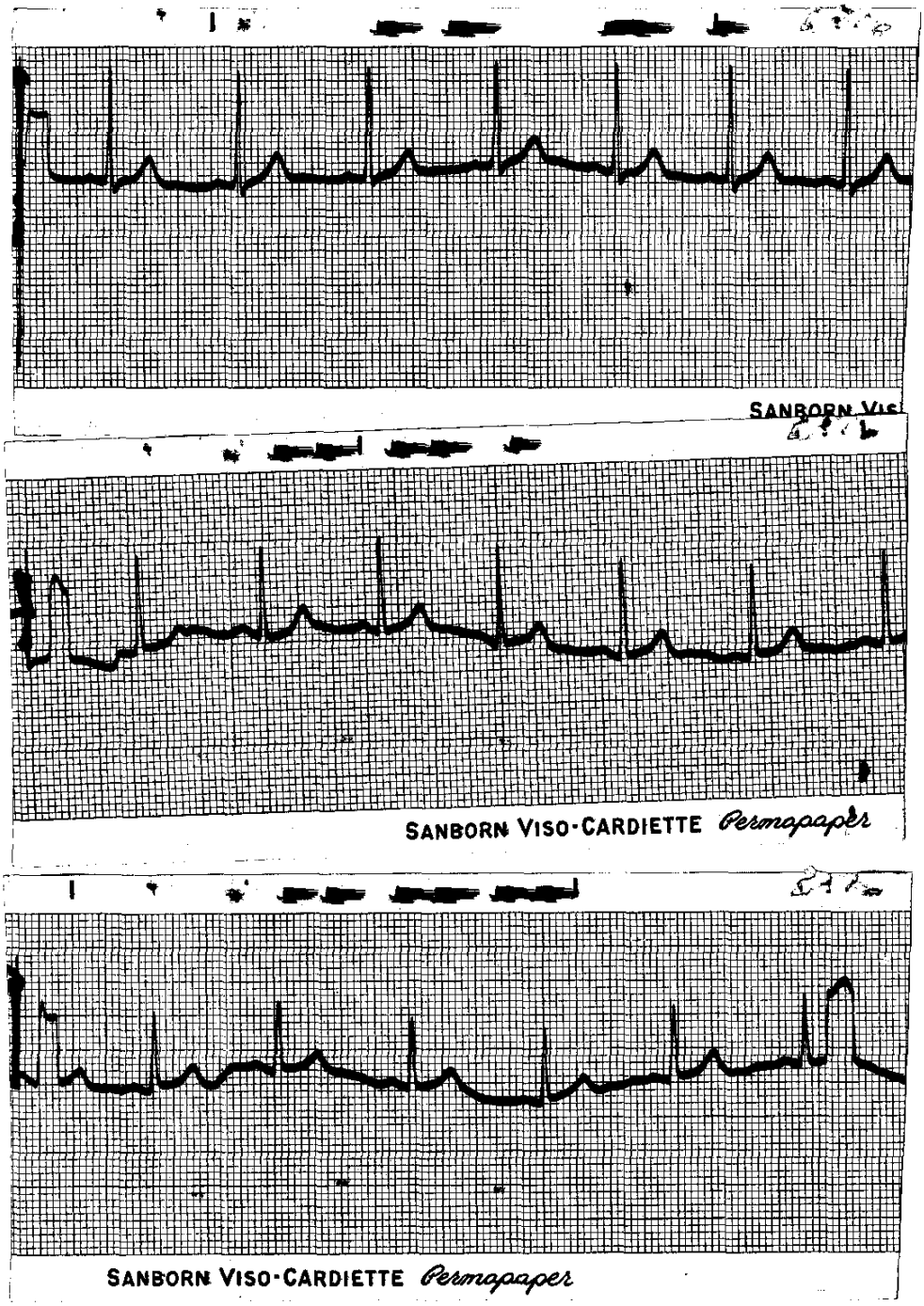

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Report of Medical Examination

FOR INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE OF MEDICAL EXAMINER:

The following portions of the attached examination report form need not be completed:

2	67	
3	68	
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14	71	(unless other examination indicates desirable)
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65	72	

Item 48, the electrocardiogram, is not required unless the examinee is over 35 years of age or unless other examination indicates such is desirable.

If the examinee is an applicant, the Chest X ray and blood type and Rh factor (Items 46 and 49) are not necessary unless the facilities for affording same are readily available to the examiner.

FOR ALL EXAMINEES, WHETHER CLERICAL OR SPECIAL AGENT APPLICANTS OR EMPLOYEES:

The medical examiner should answer the following question:

Examinee ~~is~~ _____ qualified for strenuous physical
(is or is not)
exertion. (Designate which)

FOR ALL MALE EMPLOYEES OR APPLICANTS:

The medical examiner is requested to answer the following:

Does examinee have any defects restricting or prohibiting his participation in defensive tactics and dangerous assignments which might entail the practical use of firearms?

no

If answer is "yes" please specify.

IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT ALL STATEMENTS IN ITEMS 59, 61, 64 AND 70 PERTAINING TO VISUAL ACUITY, COLOR VISION AND HEARING BE COMPLETED IN DETAIL.

[signature]
(Signature of Medical Examiner)

5/21/53
(Date)

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CLINICAL RECORD | **ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHIC REPORT**

PREVIOUS ECG ☐ YES ☐ NO

CLINICAL IMPRESSION

MEDICATION

☐ EMERGENCY ☐ BEDSIDE
☐ ROUTINE ☐ AMBULANT

AGE	SEX	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	B. P.	SIGNATURE OF WARD PHYSICIAN	DATE

RHYTHM: NORMAL SINUS RHYTHM

AXIS DEVIATION (QRS): NORMAL

RATES: AURIC. VENT. 85

INTERVALS: PR .12 QRS .08 QT .32

P WAVES: NORMAL

QRS COMPLEXES

RS—T SEGMENT

T WAVES

PRECORDIAL LEADS *(Specify)*

SUMMARY, SERIAL CHANGES, AND IMPLICATIONS:

CONCLUSION: NORMAL ECG.

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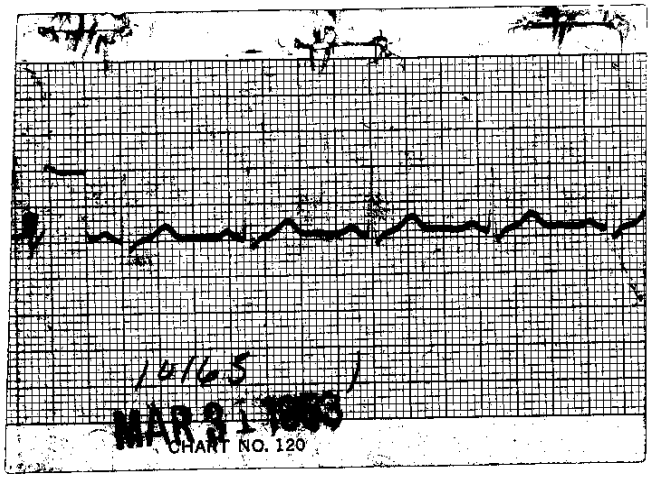
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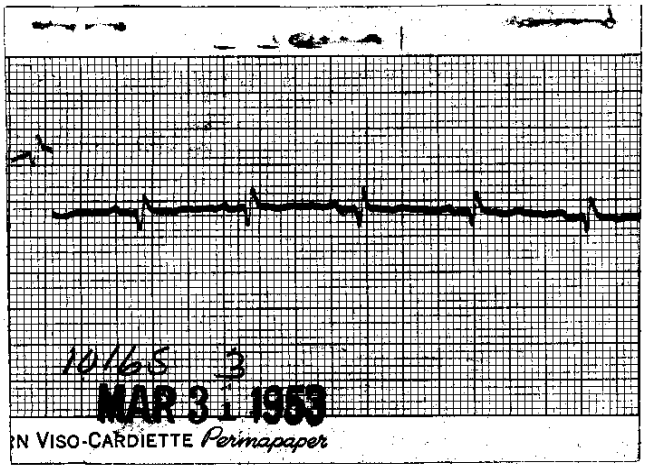
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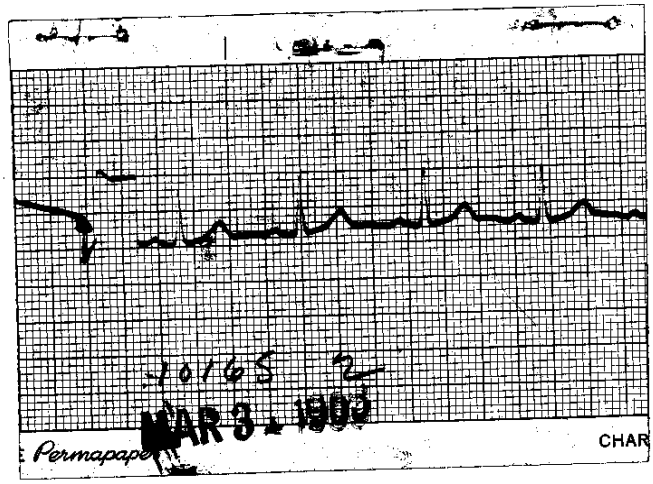
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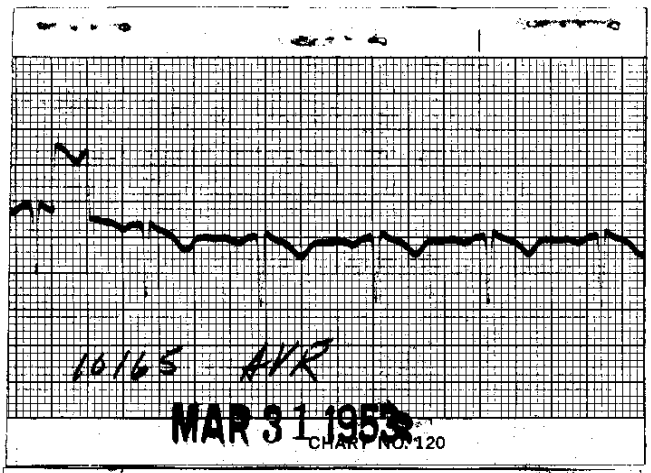
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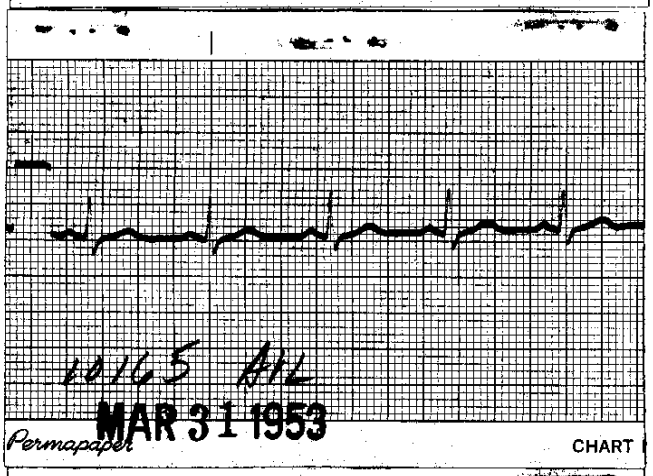
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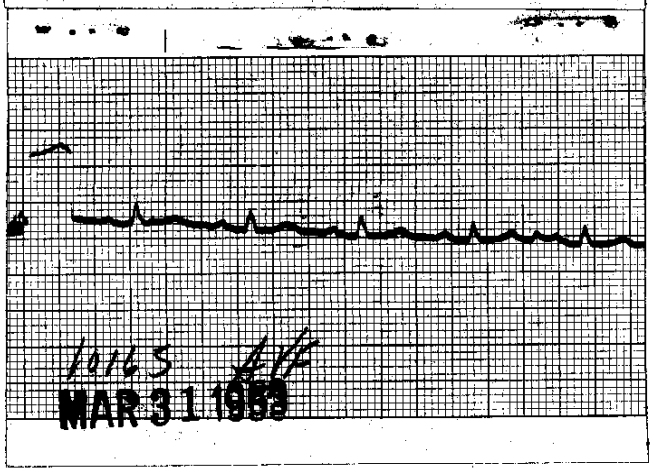

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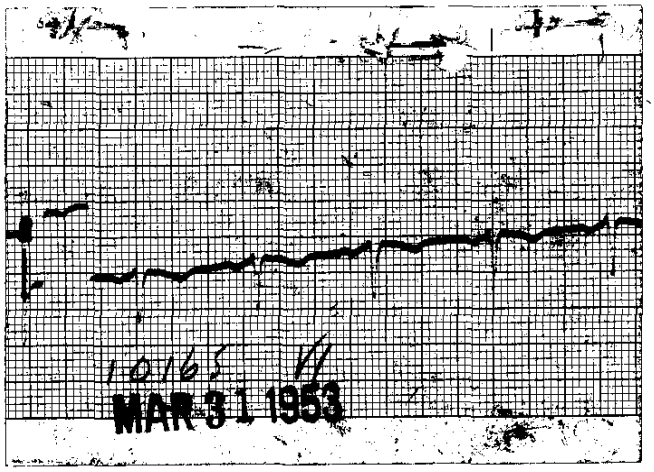

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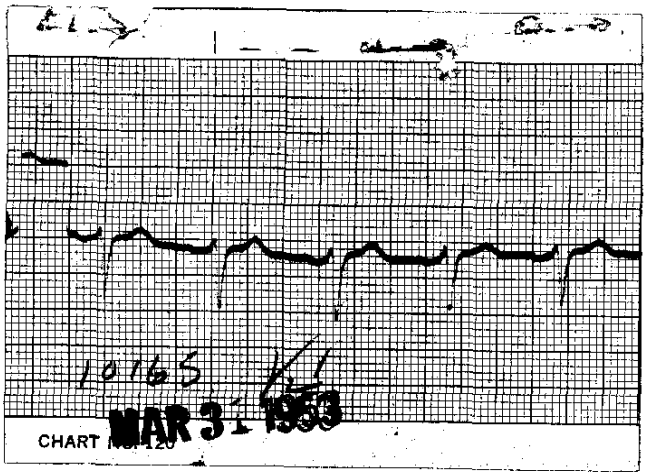

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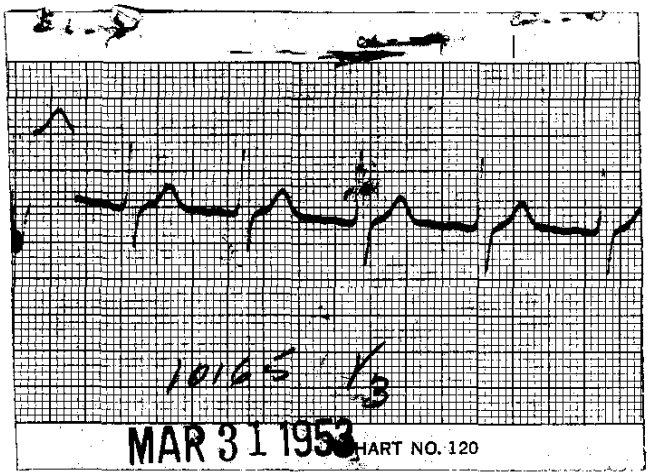

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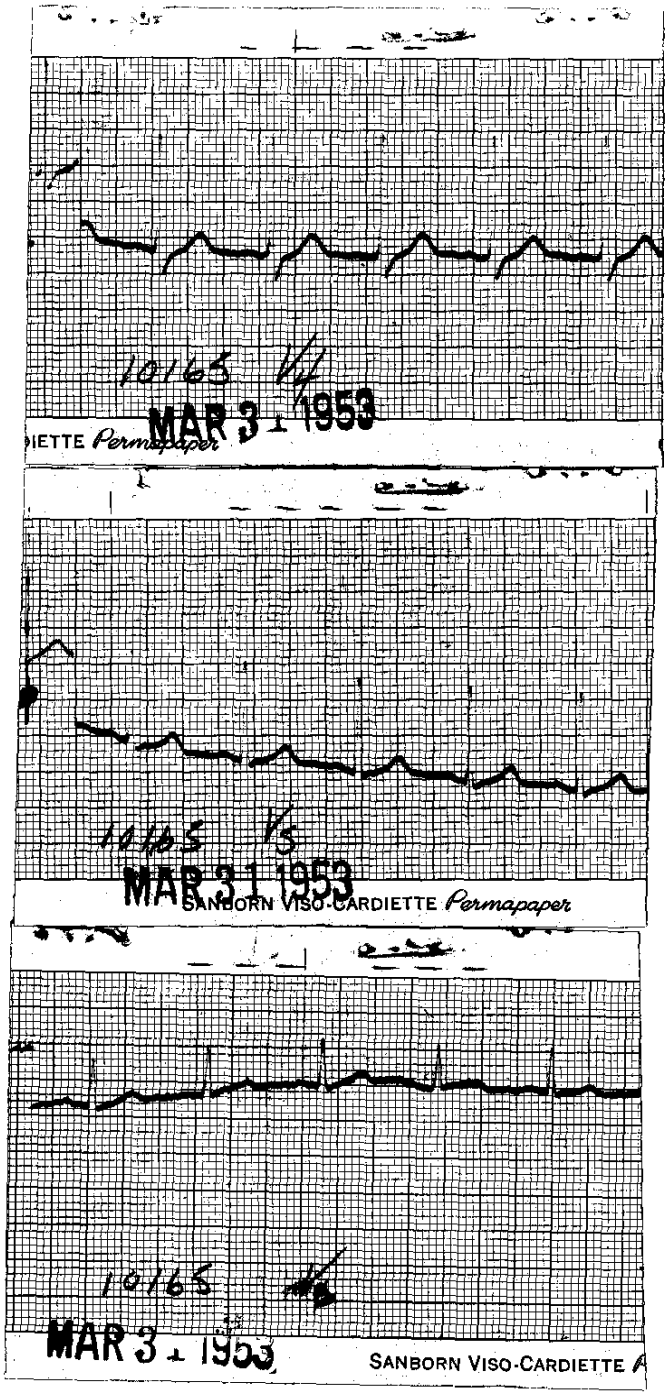

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	REQUESTED BY Dr. Eveland	DATE OF REQUEST 8-1-52	

EXAMINATION REQUESTED	AGE	SEX	IDENTIFICATION NO.
PA Chest	36	M	

PERTINENT CLINICAL HISTORY, OPERATIONS, PHYSICAL FINDINGS, AND PROVISIONAL DIAGNOSIS

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Negative chest.

L. T. BROWN, LT MC USN

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CLINICAL RECORD — ELECTROCARDIOGRAPHIC REPORT

PREVIOUS ECG ☐ YES ☐ NO

CLINICAL IMPRESSION

MEDICATION

☐ EMERGENCY ☐ BEDSIDE
☐ ROUTINE ☐ AMBULANT

AGE	SEX	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	B. P.	SIGNATURE OF WARD PHYSICIAN	DATE
				-			

RHYTHM: Normal Sinus Rhythm

AXIS DEVIATION (QRS): Horizontal

RATES: AURIC. VENT. 80

INTERVALS: PR .16 QRS .06 QT .34

P WAVES: Normal

QRS COMPLEXES

RS—T SEGMENT

T WAVES

PRECORDIAL LEADS *(Specify)*

SUMMARY, SERIAL CHANGES, AND IMPLICATIONS:

Conclusion: Normal ECG

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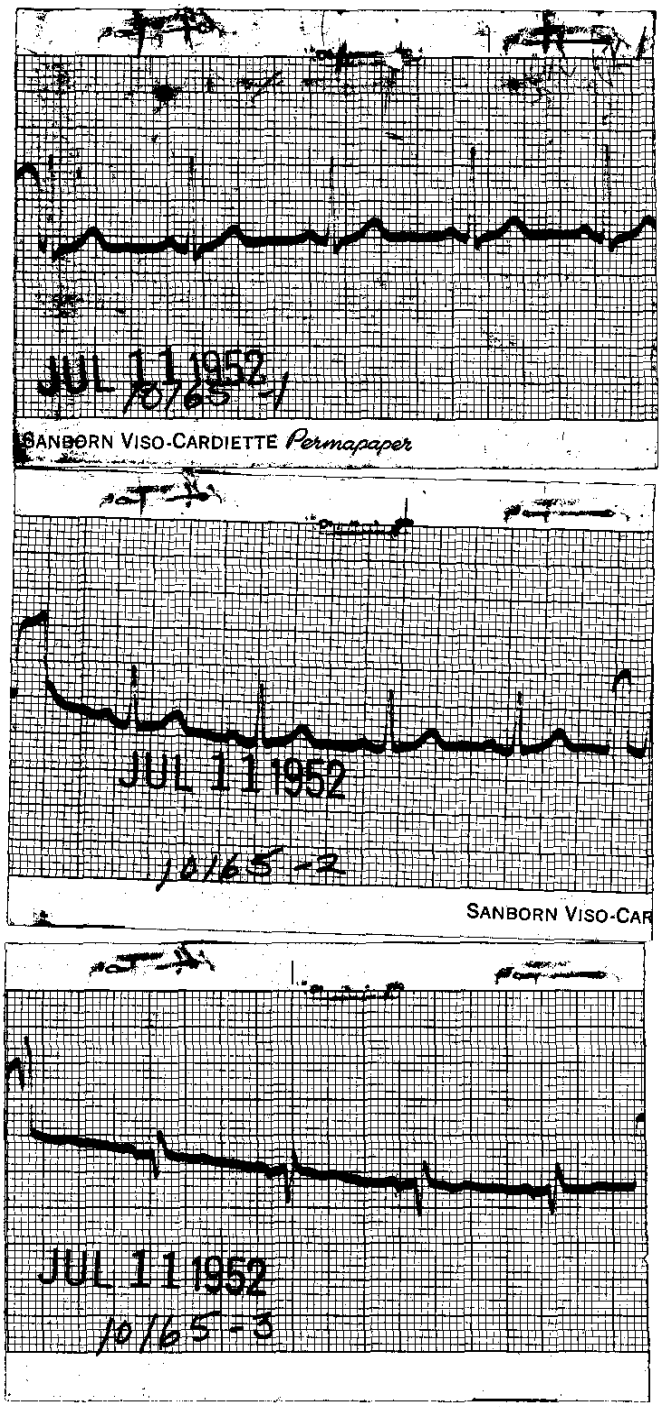
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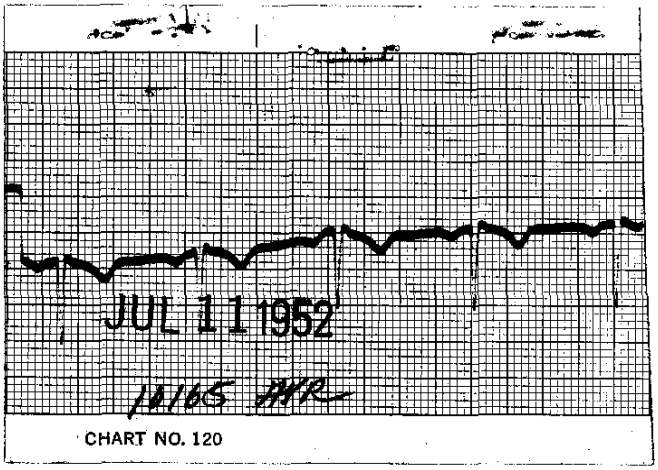
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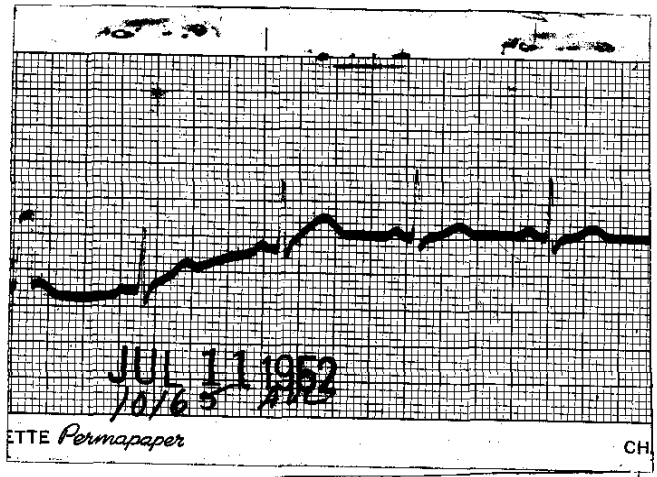
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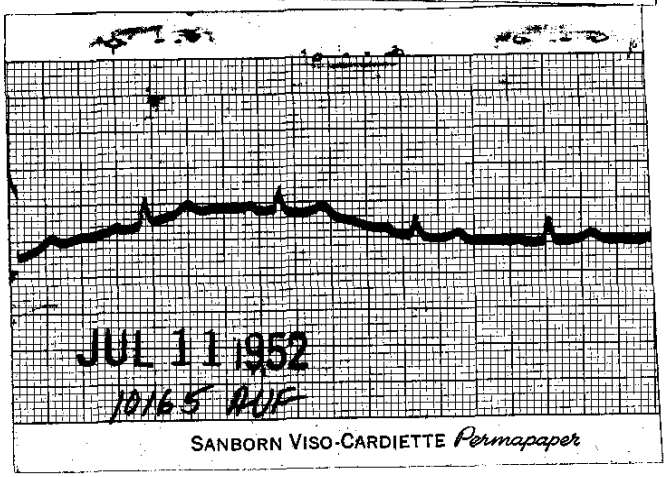
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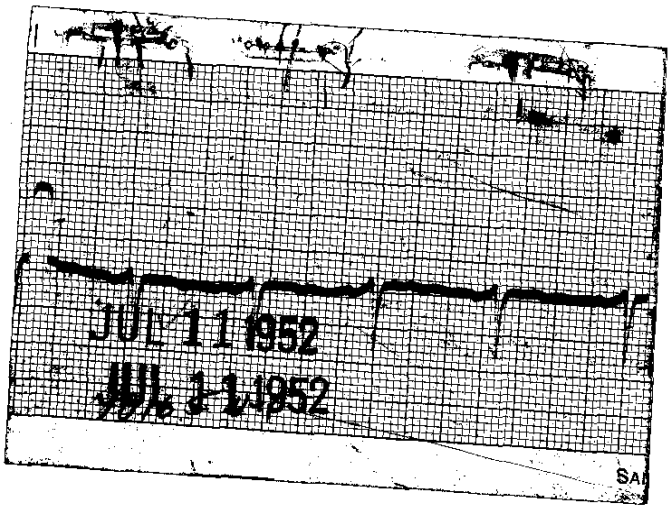
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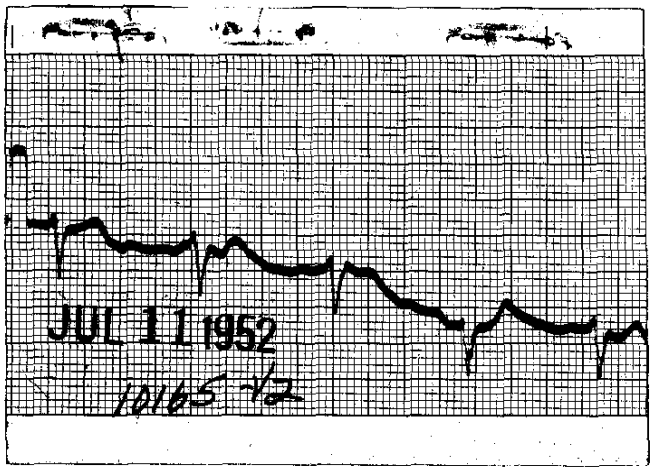

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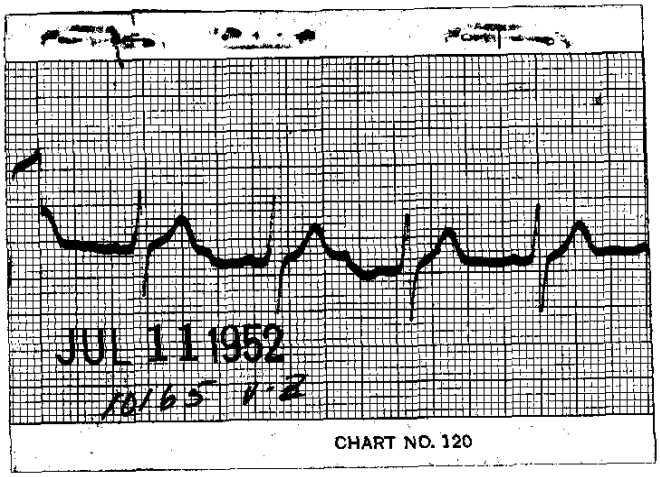

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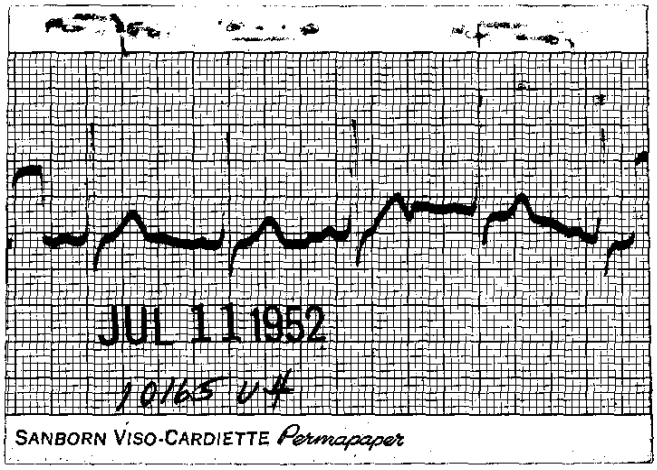

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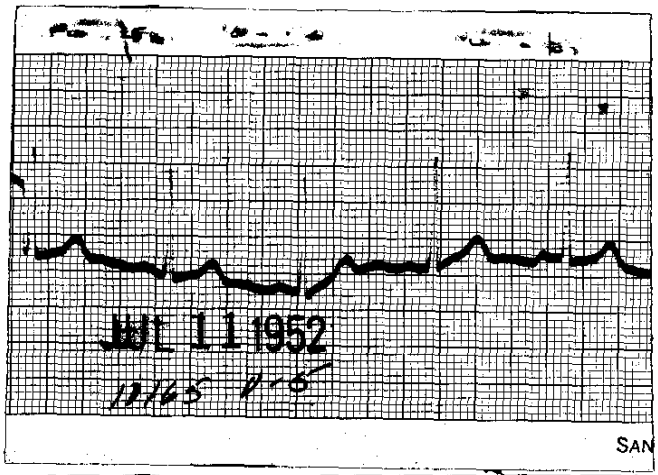

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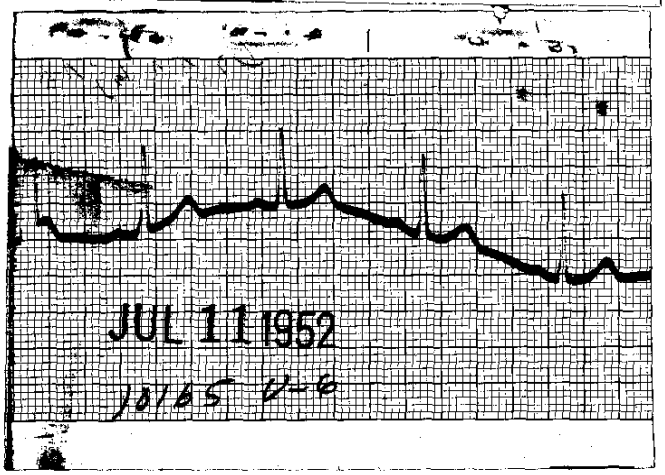

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CLINICAL IMPRESSION

MEDICATION

☐ EMERGENCY ☐ BEDSIDE
☐ ROUTINE ☐ AMBULANT

AGE	SEX	RACE	HEIGHT	WEIGHT	B. P.	SIGNATURE OF WARD PHYSICIAN	DATE

RHYTHM: Sinus

AXIS DEVIATION (QRS): Normal

RATES: AURIC. VENT. 72

INTERVALS: PR .14 QRS .08 QT

P WAVES: Normal

QRS COMPLEXES

RS—T SEGMENT

T WAVES: Up all leads.

PRECORDIAL LEADS *(Specify)*: Normal

SUMMARY, SERIAL CHANGES, AND IMPLICATIONS:
Conclusion: Normal E.C.G.

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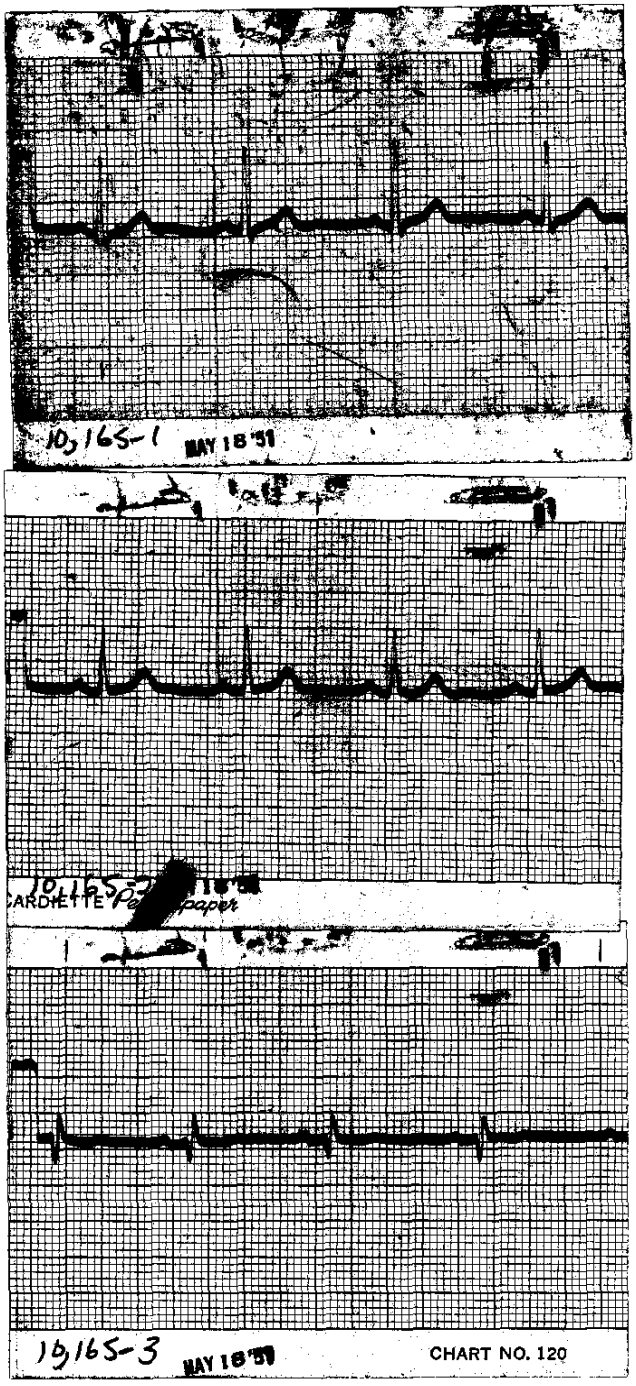
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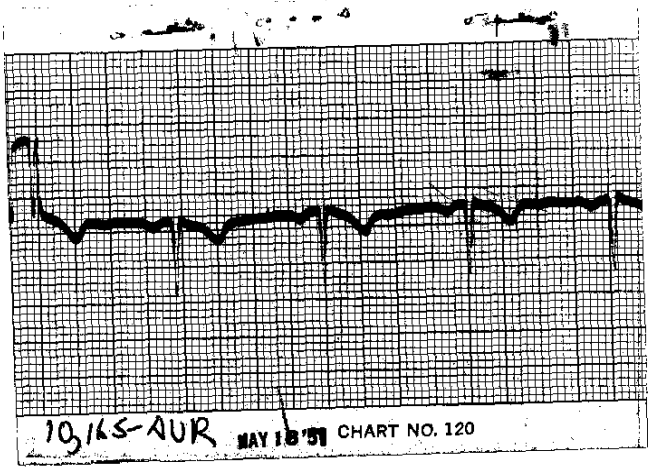
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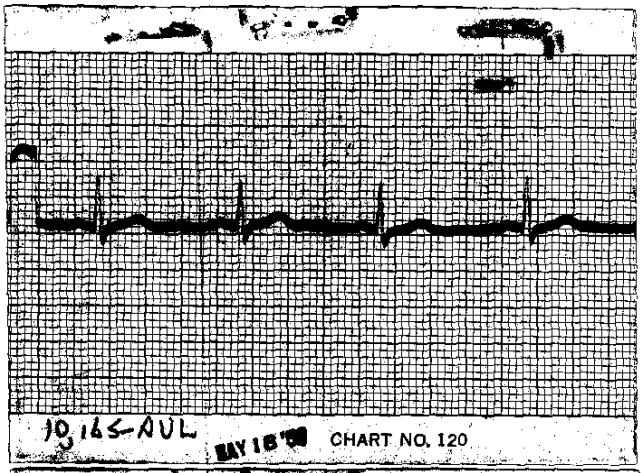
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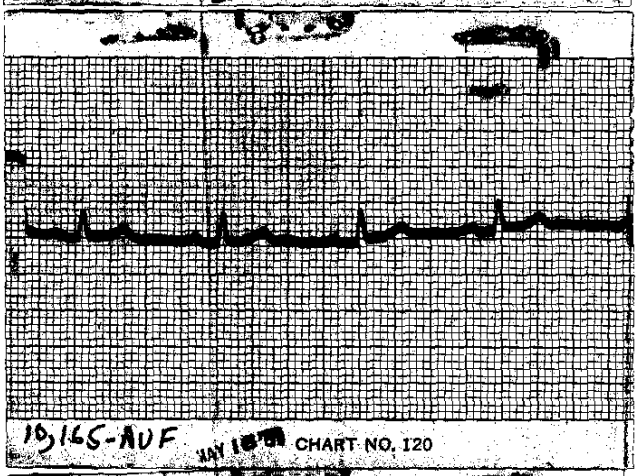
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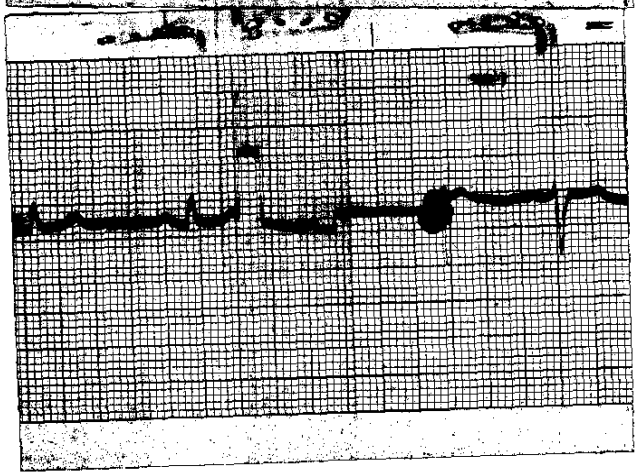
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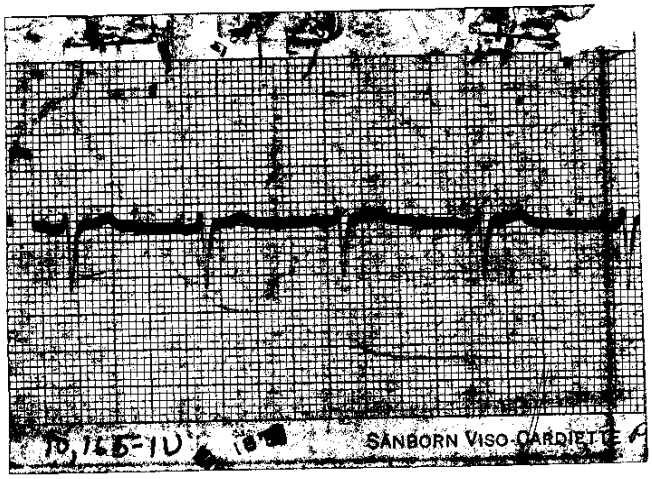

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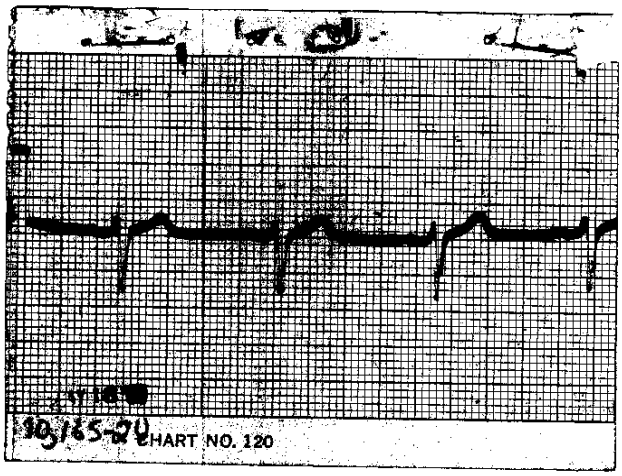

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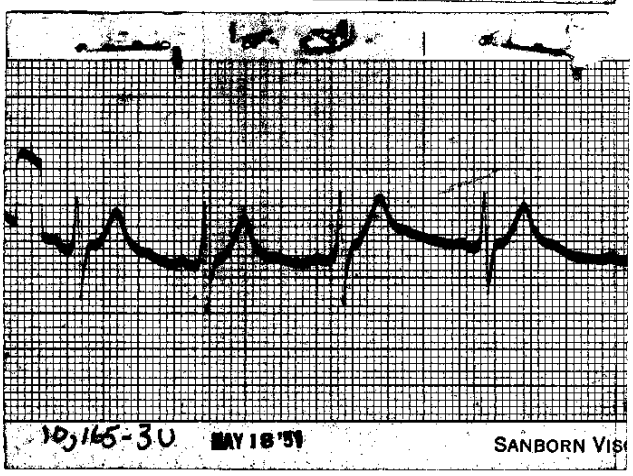

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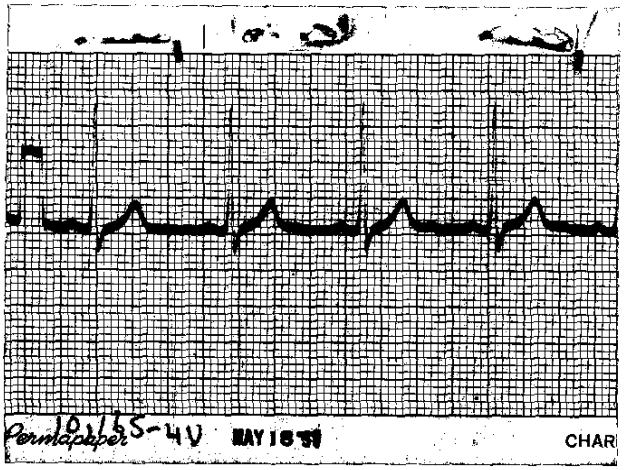

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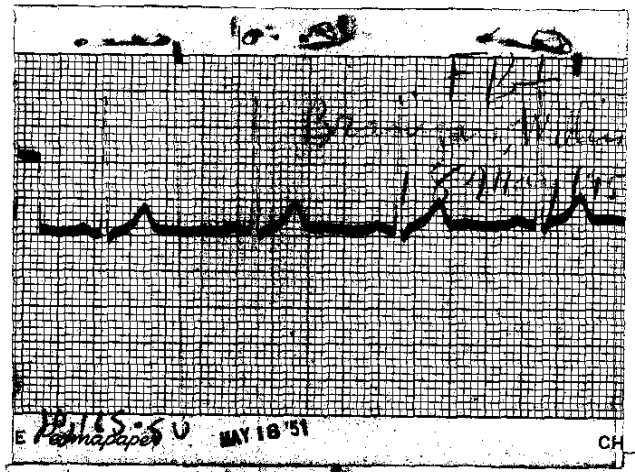


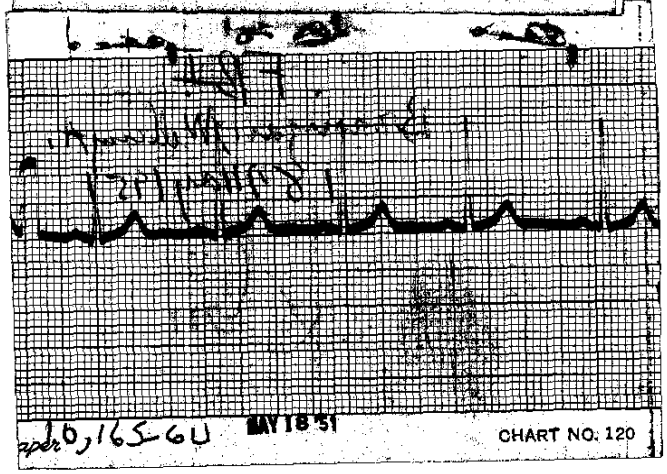

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